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Forest Park Reservation Commission

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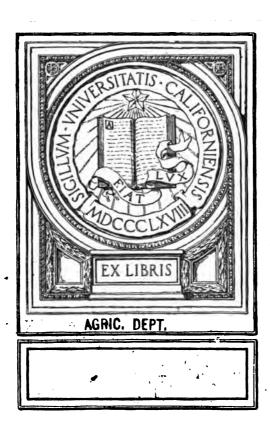






FIG. 1: WHITE OAK LOG ON ITS WAY TO MILL: BURLINGTON COUNTY.



FIG. 2: A PORTABLE SAW MILL: SOMERSET COUNTY.



Fig. 3: Logging White Cedar: A Clean Cut is Necessary: Ocean County.

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To His Excellency, Leon R. Taylor, Acting Governor of the State of New Jersey and ex-officio President of the State Board of Forest Park Reservation Commissioners:

SIR—I have the honor to submit the annual report of the Forest Commission for the year ending October 31st, 1913, as required by law. The control of forest fires continues to be our greatest problem, though marked progress has been made. The work of the Commission in practical forestry and on behalf of the shade trees apparently meets with public approval. The eighteen pages of illustrations exhibit more effectively than words the scope and importance of our work.

Respectfully yours,

Henry B. Kümmel, Executive Officer.

Alfred Gaskill, Secretary.

State House, December 18, 1913.

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# Report of the Forest Commission

The ninth annual report of the Forest Commission is made with strong assurance that a work of positive value is being accomplished. There is no need to prove that New Jersey needs lumber, nor that forest fires are wasteful, nor that conservation of forests is desirable. The Commission has taken all this for granted and has set itself the task of educating the whole citizenship in respect to the aims of forestry and demonstrating its applications.

The Commission feels that its efforts are appreciated, that the economy of forestry is apparent, that the reform of long standing abuses is proven a possibility, that the people are with it, and that there can be no backward step.

It is worth bearing in mind that the powers of the Commission are chiefly constructive and advisory; that its duty is, not to execute an established policy and a fixed routine, but to popularize a new subject and make practical application of its principles. The sole compensation of its members consists in the satisfaction that comes of worth-while service. The policy that it formulates, the measures that it devises, the interest and enthusiasm that it awakens are made effective by the State Forester and State Firewarden whose reports, published herewith, show specifically what is being done. The cardinal points of the Commission's effort are these:

Forest fire control is an absolute condition precedent to the practice of any kind of forestry. The chief effort is, therefore, in this direction.

The practice of forestry by those who own the forests is preferable to state purchase and control.

Development of the forests we have through protection and care is wiser than planting more forests.

State forest reserves should be limited to tracts held for demonstration, for water control and other specific purposes.

Shade trees are vital to every community.

.This entire program, except in respect to shade trees, seeks to

develop forests of positive value. Our possibilities are suggested by a comparison with Württemberg. That German state and ours have practically the same area, the same population, similar territory and similar interests. The annual net income from New Jersey's forests is about 50 cents per acre, the annual net income from Württemberg's forests is upwards of \$6 an acre. We can do as well if we will.

#### FOREST FIRES.

The State Firewarden's report—see p. 43—makes it clear that prevention is the only effective way to control this evil. So long as fire setting agencies persist the best organized fire service that is possible can do no more than put out fires before they become serious. Whenever dry weather and high winds coincide, as they did last spring, a big crop of fires is inevitable. The year's record thus suffers by comparison with that of last year which enjoyed a comparatively wet spring, but it is better than that of any previous year since the service was fully organized. The measure of the season's success, however, is to be found, not in the number of fires reported, but in the list of potential fires that did not get away, and in the ability of the fire service steadily to increase their proportion. In this respect the fact that 54 per cent of all fires known to have started were put out before they had burned as much as five acres affords strong ground for satisfaction.

Loss: See Table II, p. 44. The estimated value of all kinds of property destroyed by forest fires during the year was \$67,205 against a similar loss of \$21,501 in 1912. More than the whole of this increase, however, is due to twenty-seven fires which under extreme conditions of drouth and high wind escaped control and caused a loss of \$47,370. Neighboring states suffered relatively much more.

Causes: See p. 46 and Table IV. A study of causes necessarily precedes any application of remedies. A steady reduction in the proportion of "cause unknown" fires indicates efficiency in a fire service; this year only 30 per cent of all fires were so reported. The average in most states is upwards of fifty per cent,



FIG. 4: A BAD FIRE HAZARD CREATED BY UNREGULATED LOGGING. THE FOREST COMMISSION SHOULD HAVE POWER TO CONTROL THIS.



Fig. 5: Ideal Logging. Everything of Value Utilized and Brush Piled for Burning.

FIRE HAZARD AND NO FIRE HAZARD AFTER LOGGING. BOTH BURLINGTON COUNTY.

and we had as many in earlier years. Fires due to brush burning have been reduced to 7 per cent of the total, largely through vigorous enforcement of the permit law. (There were 5,240 permits issued.) This is the same ratio as obtained in 1912 and is a distinct gain in view of this year's increased hazard. The Commission shares the State Firewarden's belief that this very common source of forest fires is rapidly being reduced to a point which presents little serious difficulty. Smokers, hunters and similar careless people are known to be responsible for 18 per cent of the fires for which any cause is assignable, and probably for most of those of unknown origin. Little can be done to lessen these except through expensive patrol and education. Beyond all question, the railroads are our principal cause of forest fires. The offending is not wilful, and all roads are not equally culpable, but in the face of the facts that railroads caused 45 per cent of all fires this year, that property owners are complaining bitterly, and that neither fire lines nor the efforts at co-operation which have been made have produced any improvement at all comparable with that shown in connection with other hazards, it is clearly the duty of the Commission to provide some relief. See pp. 12, 46.

Railroad Fire-Line Law: The act of 1909, 2 Comp. Stat. p. 2339, which gave the railroads power to reduce the fire danger along their lines by providing for the construction of wide fire breaks on private property adjacent to the right-of-way, and which has been contested in the courts since April, 1910, was on June 18, 1913, declared unconstitutional by the Court of Errors upon the ground that it appropriated private property without compensation. Thus this effort to bring about co-operation between the railroads and neighboring forest owners for the prevention of forest fires finally fails, insofar as its compulsory application is concerned. Indirectly it has succeeded in that upwards of three hundred miles of fire lines have been built, mostly through the voluntary action of the railroads and with consent of the owners concerned. These have proven beyond all doubt the value of such lines as an aid to fire control. From several railroads the Commission has assurances that fire lines will be maintained and extended wherever owners will give consent.

Violations of Law: The vigorous pursuit of every individual and corporate violator of the forest fire law is doing more to secure forest property than any other element of the Commission's policy. The oft-heard assertion that no law against firing the forest can be enforced does not apply in New Jersey. The total violations established were 350, of which 39 were technical offenses, chiefly illegal back-firing and burning without permit. Deducting these, though they are among the most important, it is found that over forty-five per cent of the 678 fires reported were traced to their authors and fixed as violations of law! Of the 350 established violations the railroads were responsible for 255, or 72 per cent; brush burners for 72, smokers for 8 and miscellaneous agents for 15. The detailed distribution and disposition of this responsibility is shown in Tables V, VI, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII and p. 56. The points that demand emphasis here are, that the authors of forest fires can be and are discovered; that an active fire service is a strong deterrent force in that through the constant watchfulness of its members there is less disposition to take chances with fire, to risk burning without a permit, to. do anything that may result in a forest fire; that the greatest responsibility is upon the railroads; and that while enforced penalties are making individuals more careful the same policy has had little effect upon the railroad managers.

The money penalties recovered amounted to \$1,538.67, of which \$1,314.62 was paid to township treasurers and the balance to the State Treasurer.\*

Federal Co-operation: See p. 59. The co-operative agreement with the U. S. Forest Service by which \$2,000 a year is allotted to this State from the appropriation made by Congress to execute the "Weeks Law" is still in force. This sum has made possible the maintenance of lookouts and patrolmen in North Jersey at dangerous times, particularly during the hunting season. The organization and its influence have become so effective that for two years no serious fire has burned in the patrolled area.

Fire Patrol: See p. 59. The results gained by the Federal patrol in North Jersey naturally suggest an extension of the plan to other sections, and that is being provided for. As the

<sup>\*</sup>Between the writing of this report and March 1, 1914, additional penalties amounting to \$1,072.51 were recovered from railroads, and \$136.95 from individuals.



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Fig. 7: CHESTNUT 80 FEET TALL: GLOUCESTER COUNTY.

Fig. 6: Pine 60 Years Old: Ocean County.



Fig. 8: OAK 2 FEET DIAMETER: HUNTERDON COUNTY. Fig. 9: Mixed



Fig. 9: Mixed Hardwoods About 80 Years Old: Somerset County.

THESE VIEWS OF NEW JERSEY FORESTS PROVE THAT WE CAN GROW GOOD TIMBER.

cost is considerable it is intended to establish the service only where the chief beneficiaries will bear a part of the expense. The same principle will extend to the maintenance of lookouts.

#### PRIVATE FORESTRY.

Unless those who own the forests can be induced to practice forestry there will be little forestry in New Jersey, because the purchase by the State of any considerable area is out of the question. The Commission, therefore, is striving to interest individuals, corporations and municipalities. As a basis for this it can be shown that there is no great need to plant forests, see p. 22; that though our original timber forests were cut long ago we still have abundant "second-growth"—in reality often fourth or fifth growth, to start with—there are two million acres of it. Forestry is now practiced in a more or less intensive way on not far from two hundred thousand acres-ten per cent of the total, and the State foresters are advising a goodly proportion of the owners. Though what is done often includes no more than protection from fire and abuse, that as a beginning will lead naturally to growing timber crops—which is forestry. In direct response to the efforts of the Commission, its practical assistance, and its published advice are private woodlands being brought under management. New Jersey stands third amongst the States in density of population; our forests must serve as play grounds as well as producers of lumber. See p. 27.

#### FOREST RESERVES.

The value of the state reserves as demonstration areas is amply shown wherever they have been established. Every piece of practical forestry carried out on one of them has been imitated by nearby owners. It is desirable that small reserves, capable of immediate effective treatment be located in every part of the State. Except in this way the Commission does not now advocate increasing the State's holdings.

The aggregate area of all State reserves is 13,720 acres. They have escaped fire entirely this year and are improving in condition and value. See p. 22.

#### EDUCATION.

In addition to what is done in the forest reserves and through forest owners a constant effort is made to reach the people at large. By means of lectures, publications, exhibitions and demonstrations the meaning of forestry and the State's interest in it are taught to the children and their elders. Valuable aid in this work is given by the Department of Public Instruction. See p. 41.

#### SHADE TREES.

Though this subject can be dismissed with a few words it touches and interests more people intimately than does forestry itself. Shade Tree Commissions are organized in 52 communities, with aggregate resources of \$175,000, and the trees are having more care than ever before. The State foresters are actively aiding this work, giving advice about troubles of all kinds and furnishing the technical knowledge that the local authorities usually lack. There is a growing demand that the shade tree idea be extended to country roads and the Forest Commission is trying to satisfy it through co-operation with the State Road Commissioner. See pp. 27-34.

#### FARMS AND FARMING-TOWN SITES.

Agricultural opportunities may be looked for in the forested sections. Forestry makes no claim on land fit for farming but welcomes the farmer as a helper. But beware of Land Schemers who offer "town lots in the pines" at bargain prices. The land may be there, the deed all right yet the buyer gets little of value for his money. See p. 18.

#### CO-OPERATION WITH STATE INSTITUTIONS.

The movement to employ state dependents out of doors is strongly supported. Portions of the forest reserves have been offered as colony sites and a proposition made to use convicts to construct fire lines. See p.\*25.

#### WOOD USERS.

The Study of Wood Industries, announced last year, has been delayed but is now in shape to be published during the coming winter. See p. 40.

#### COST OF FORESTRY.

The net cost of all the work done by, and under the direction of, the Forest Commission was as follows: See also financial statement, pp. 14, 15.

#### BY THE STATE.

For Administration, Care of Reserves, Education, Etc.  Appropriation	
For the Forest Fire Service	\$ 9,904.55
Appropriation\$15,000.00	
Less penalties and unexpended balance	•
BY THE TOWNSHIPS.	14,635.51
For Firewardens' salaries and expenses\$ 4,371.77	
Less penalties refunded	
	3,057.15
Total	\$27,597.21

#### LEGISLATION AND APPROPRIATIONS.

All the legislation desired was enacted and almost the full sum of money asked for was appropriated. One new law gives the Commission authority to lease, sell or exchange reserve lands—a power formerly denied; another specifically provides for a State Forester. This simply rectifies a defect in the old law as the chief forester to the Commission has been State Forester by courtesy and usage.

The appropriations already made for 1914 are \$15,000 for forest fires, \$11,500 for forestry, and \$30,000 to purchase lakes. The last is a special provision to enable the Commission to make effective a law of 1907 which authorizes the acquisition and maintenance of fresh water bodies as parts of the forest reserve.

Apart from one appropriation of \$10,000, which lapsed because it was insufficient to pay for any desirable lake, no money has ever before been provided to execute this law. The need of forest patrolmen and of increasing the number of lookouts involves an expenditure that will make it necessary to ask for a small increase in the appropriation for the fire service. An effort will be made to meet all demands for advice and assistance and to care for the state forest reserves without seeking an increase in the appropriation for forestry.

#### THE FUTURE.

The work of the Commission is thoroughly organized and the way to attained results is open. But the time has come to take several forward steps. The first and most important is to reduce the fire hazard along the railroads. Fires started by individuals are becoming rarer, the permit law and the warden service are effective, but railroad locomotives are driven under ever increasing pressure, they discharge sparks in spite of spark arresters, and fires are set in great numbers whenever vegetation on and adjoining the right-of-way is inflammable. The Commission acknowledges the efforts of most of the railroads, not all of them, to prevent fires and to extinguish those that are started; but that is not enough. Another step is to make our shade tree laws more effective. A third is to get more and better public roads in the woodland sections. They will facilitate fire control and make communication easier, but above all, they will open up parts of the State that are now unknown and undeveloped. Another assistant forester to give special attention to shade trees and to woodlots is urgently needed. For his salary and expenses, and for additional help in caring for the forest reserves \$3,000 a year will be required.

#### OFFICE ROOM.

The work of the Commission is conducted with difficulty in the limited office space provided. The State Forester, Assistant Forester and State Firewarden, with their library and records, occupy one moderate sized room, each has frequent conferences



FIG. 10: THE NATURAL FOREST. Note the great number of small, weak trees.



FIG. 11: THE SAME LOCATION AFTER THINNING. The wood removed yielded \$10 per acre more than the work cost. The remaining trees will now grow better.

PRACTICAL FORESTRY. STAND OF YOUNG PINE BEFORE AND AFTER TREATMENT. BURLINGTON COUNTY.

with outsiders for which it is not possible to have even ordinary quiet; each dictates many letters and prepares reports subject to great annoyance and difficulty. In this same room the Commission must hold its meetings; as many as eight people are sometimes gathered in a space eighteen feet square—no privacy, no opportunity for deliberate discussion! The two stenographers with their files share one room with the clerks of the Geological Survey and the office assistant has a desk in a dark room in the basement.

#### ORGANIZATION.

The administrative force of the Commission is on a satisfactory and apparently permanent basis. It is organized as follows:

# THE FOREST COMMISSION. Ordinarily represented by its executive officer, (H. B. Kümmel.) STATE FORESTER (Alfred Gaskill) STATE FIREWARDEN ASSISTANT FORESTER 6 Forest Reserve Wardens (C. P. Wilber) (J. O. Hazard)

- 4 Division Firewardens
- 112 Township Firewardens
- 157 District Firewardens
  - 3 Fire Watchers

# Financial Statement, Forest Park Reservation Commission for Fiscal Year, 1913

#### ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT.

Appropriation	\$ 10,500 00					
EXPENDITURES.						
Salary and expenses, Foresters and Secretary	\$ 4,976 31					
Clerks and office expenses	1,584 92					
Expenses, Members of Commission	111 01					
Instruments and Books	134 79					
Co-operation (Woodlot and Shade Trees)	131 35					
Postage, Phone, Express	340 43					
Advertising Printing	213 50					
Mays Landing Reserve	120 57					
Bass River Reserve	415 31					
Edward C. Stokes Reserve	1,136 89					
Lebanon Reserve	273 58					
Mount Laurel Reserve	52 24					
Penn Reserve	327 62					
Exhibits	471 85					
Experiments	175 39					
Cranberry Bog	25 03					
Miscellaneous	7 25					
Unexpended Balance	1 96					
		\$ 10,500 00				
FOREST FIRE ACCOUNT.						
Appropriation		\$ 15,000 00				
		<b>,</b> - <b>0</b> ,				
EXPENDITURES.						
Salaries and Expenses Firewardens	\$ 8,823 57					
Clerk and office expenses	1,296 34					
Postage, Phone, Express	. 156 31					
Extinguishing forest fires:	2,892 64					
On account of 1911 fires 172 82						
On account of 1912 fires 875 23	•					
On account of 1913 fires	7 470					
•	1,479 13 69 40					
Equipment	77 98					
Unexpended balance	204 63					
Onexpended balance	204 03	\$ 15,000 00				
		¥ 13,000 00				

## Financial Statement—Continued

#### RECEIPTS BY EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

Balance on hand November 1, 1912	\$ 113 31	
For Products of Reserves	495 36	
For Expenses of Foresters in co-operative work	98 13	•
From Settlements with Sundry Violators of		
Forest Fire Law	1,538 67	
Total		\$ 2,245 47
Paid to State Treasurer	\$ 753 35	
Paid to Sundry Township Treasurers	1,314 62	
Balance in hand October 31, 1913	177 50	
Due State Treasurer 9 05		
Due Township Treasurers168 45		·
•		\$ 2,245 47

#### THE FOREST PARK RESERVATION COMMISSION,

HENRY B. KÜMMEL, Executive Officer ELMER H. SMITH CHARLES L. PACK WILLIAM W. SMALLEY

# Report of the State Forester

#### ALFRED GASKILL.

The State Forester is the active agent of the Forest Commission in performing all the duties which by law devolve upon the Commission. He exercises a general supervision of the Forest Fire Service, through the State Firewarden, but gives most of his time to aiding and advising forest owners and shade tree interests, to developing the State forest reserves, and to keeping up an active educational campaign on behalf of the trees and forests. Forestry demands a long look ahead and much patience. Full recognition of the importance of the subject, and of the State's interest in it, are apparently still far off.

#### WHAT WE ARE WORKING FOR.

It has been said that "in this country forestry succeeds everywhere but in the woods." The remark suggests the presence of mature forests and a desire to reform logging practices without due reference to economic conditions.

In New Jersey approximately 2,000,000 acres, or 45 per cent of the total upland, is still wooded. But the forests, especially those in South Jersey, are so degraded that they must be valued in the past and in the future rather than in the present. We have to create through forestry the forests in which more and other forestry may be practiced by and by. It goes without saying that a community having 337 people to the square mile needs to develop its forests to the utmost that there may be shaded playgrounds, pure water and lumber, and that there shall be no waste places.

The means by which this end is to be attained appear perfectly plain. A favorable soil and climate produced forests which were partly harvested long ago and have since been kept in subjection by fire. We still have all that is necessary to make trees grow, manifestly the control of forest fires must be our first



Fig. 12: Chestnut Blight Enforced a Heavy Felling: Oak Was Thinned at Same Time and Everything Used: A Clean Job Directed by a State Forester: Morris County.



FIG. 13: THE WAY LOGGING USUALLY IS DONE: MUCH WASTE IN STUMPS AND TOPS: MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

FORESTERS' WORK AND ORDINARY LOGGING CONTRASTED

concern. And it is. We distinctly affirm that in New Jersey, or anywhere else, there can be no forestry where serious fires are feared. Forestry, after all, involves an investment in growing trees. If that investment is jeopardized beyond what is normal and reasonable, a practical man will have none of it.

Our chief and constant effort is, therefore, directed towards fire control. The very considerable measure of success attained is set forth in the State Firewarden's report. There are portions of the State in which the fire risk is now inconsiderable; there management and planting are going on successfully. In others the fire problem still controls.

Next comes the effort to induce forest owners to practice forestry. The State owns, and can own, but a small fraction of the total woodland, yet it is possible to make it worth an owner's while to do the right thing. The means to this are, first, assured security from fire and then showing him how and getting him started. This may include improvement thinnings, or logging, planting or the control of pests. See pp. 19, 22, 32, 35.

The third effort is **educational**. The people at large do not yet know what forestry is, how it touches their interests or that the State is prepared to help those who want help. This work is carried on through the schools by means of lectures, exhibits and special publications. A popular lecture can be provided at any time or printed matter supplied.

A fourth line of work is with the **Shade Trees.** More people are immediately interested in them than in forestry: for this reason and because trees are so vitally important in city and town life every effort is made to help solve local problems and to encourage the support of Shade Tree Commissions. See p. 27.

The fifth activity is with the State forest reserves. In many states the acquisition of state forests is held of prime importance; in some the interest looms so large that there is little room for anything else. New Jersey believes it wiser to own a small area of State forest which can be fully protected and managed to demonstrate what forestry will do for any owner than to withdraw great tracts from private control. Moreover, the cost is prohibitive. Demonstration forests in some parts of the state not now provided are desirable and the effort to acquire such that is still being made is not inconsistent with the general

policy of restricting rather than enlarging the state's possessions. See p. 22.

All these activities are carried on simultaneously and as much time devoted to each branch as circumstances justify.

#### AGRICULTURE.

And with the work in forestry goes hand in hand an effort to open up portions of the present forest to agriculture. It is a mistake to assume that great unbroken forest areas are desirable, as it is to entertain the belief, unfortunately too common, that most of South Jersey is valueless. Large portions, indeed, will yield more from forestry than from farming, yet scattered everywhere through the woodland are soils that should be put to the higher use. In a state with such hunger needs as this it is quite as important to locate agriculturists upon every parcel of arable land as it is to advance timber interests; to consider the well-being of those who live adjacent to the forests as well as the advantage of the forests themselves. Field and forest is not a mere phrase, they go together by nature.

#### LAND SCHEMES.

This interest in farm extension by no means includes approval of the many development projects that afflict our territory. "A town lot in the pines" is more apt to be a delusion than a bargain. Legitimate efforts to open up any wild section are commendable, and there are such, but a majority of the new towns have little more than a paper existence and no future.

Most of these schemes violate no law, the victims are voluntary. All that can be done is to sound a warning and urge every intending purchaser to be sure that besides a deed to his lot, usually at from four to twenty times its value, he gets society, water, schools, stores and other necessities.

#### PROGRESS.

It can be said in a word that forestry has found a permanent place in this state. The citizens believe in it. No small part of the Commission's task has been to correct misapprehension, an-



FIG. 14: PART OF EXHIBIT AT INTERSTATE FAIR, OCTOBER, 1913.



Fig. 15: Forestry Exhibit at Trenton, January, 1913.

other to set the people's own interest affirmatively before them. Though little more than a beginning has been made the demands upon the foresters for advice and assistance are so many that it is difficult to satisfy all.

#### EXHIBITS.

This year for the first time the Commission undertook to advertise its activities, emphasize the importance of fire control and inform the public of what forestry would do for them, by arranging attractive exhibits. The first was made in the Trenton Armory in connection with the January meeting of the Agricultural and Horticultural Societies. The second was an outdoor exhibit at the Trenton Interstate Fair in October. Both accomplished much in the direction intended, especially as opportunity was given for all who were interested to discuss their own problems with the attending foresters and to get information of a definite kind. See Figs. 14, 15.

#### PRIVATE FORESTRY.

It is impossible to go about anywhere in New Jersey without finding evidences of an active, practical application of forestry to private lands. Owners in all sections are studying the subject and working out their problems in their own ways, sometimes under the advice of the Forest Commission, sometimes entirely alone. Though results in the latter case are not always the best the effort is in the right direction. Naturally, this interest is most strongly expressed in North Jersey where many private estates are maintained. A significant example is that of the Mine Mount Forestry Association composed of a group of property owners in Somerset and Morris counties whose desire is to handle their woodlands in a practical way. Under the advice of the State Forester the Association has employed a forester who is actively directing fellings, thinnings, planting, and various other phases of forest work. In South Jersey can be seen numerous examples of applied forestry-thinnings inspired by similar work done on the State reserves, or more directly under the advice of State foresters, logging that aims at a future crop, and commercial plantations. Here, however, the continuance of the fire hazard is a serious handicap and owners cannot be expected to invest largely where the risk is great. All parts of the State still afford ample room for improvement in this line. See Figs. 10, 11, 12, 16, 17.

## CHRISTMAS TREES.

The embargo laid and maintained by the U. S. Department of Agriculture upon the shipment of Christmas greens from the territory infested by the gypsy moth and the brown tail moth (portions of New England) has created an unusual demand for the home product. In itself this is good, although it must be admitted that our pines and cedars are not very satisfactory substitutes for the balsams and spruces of the north. But the situation has its evil side in that our forests near the large cities are being raided. In portions of Camden, Gloucester and Burlington counties this became such an abuse that the Forest Commission was besought to support restrictive legislation. It was easy to show that there is no need for legislation, that existing statutes are ample to meet the situation, provided the forest owners themselves do their part. It was thus arranged through an agreement with the Senator from Gloucester County, who is also Master of the State Grange, to distribute through the granges a circular letter informing farmers of their rights, their privileges and their opportunities. See opposite page.

## FOREST PARK RESERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY

## CUTTING TREES ON LAND NOT ONE'S OWN IS UNLAWFUL.

Numerous complaints have been made to the State Forester that much destruction is wrought in New Jersey woodlands by outsiders who seek Christmas trees and Christmas greens.

## FARMERS CAN MARKET EVERGREENS.

The use of evergreen trees and shrubs at Christmas time is commendable; the practice of stealing the material is wrong. The best that can be said for it is that most property owners have considered young trees of so little value that anyone who chose might cut them. There is not the slightest reason why the farmers of New Jersey should not themselves supply the demand for this material, either by growing suitable trees on their poorest lands, or by utilizing in this way some of the smaller wild trees whose timely removal from their woodlands would benefit those that remain. This is practical forestry.

## DON'T EXPECT STRANGERS TO VALUE YOUR WOODLAND IF YOU DON'T SHOW THAT YOU VALUE IT YOURSELF

The best way to stop the trespass complained of is to keep each piece of woodland as though it were valued; that is, keep out fires, encourage the young growth and fell intelligently when need arises. No one need suffer from trespassers who will take the trouble to assert his rights. The law of the State, emphatic and long standing, is as follows

## "AN ACT TO PREVENT WILLFUL TRESPASS UPON LANDS

That if any person or persons shall unlawfully enter upon any lands not his own, after having been forbidden so to do by the owner of legal possessor of such lands, he shall [orfeit and pay for such offense to the owner of said lands or his or her tenant in possession, the sum of three dollars, to be sued for and recovered, with costs, in an action of debt, before any justice-of-the-peace in this State. (P L. 1857 p. 16—4 Comp. Stat. p. 5653.)"

## "AN ACT TO PREVENT THE UNLAWFUL WASTE AND DESTRUCTION OF TIMBER IN THIS STATE.

"AN ACT TO PREVENT THE UNLAWFUL WASTE AND DESTRUCTION OF TIMBER IN THIS STATE.

That if any person or persons whatsoever, shall, at any time hereafter, cut, fell, work up, carry away, box, bors, or destroy any tree, supling or pole, standing or lying on any land within this State, to which such person or persons hath not or have not any right and title, without leave first had and obtained of the owner or owners of the said land for that purpose, every such person or persons so offending, shall fortied and person to person or persons so offending, shall fortied and person or persons or offending, shall fortied and person entering the same to effect, at any time within eighteen months from the cutting, felling, working up, carrying away, boxing, boring, or destroying of any such tree, saping or pole; and that whenever any person or persons, within this State, shall be sueen for prosecuted before any justice-of-the-peace within the same, it shall and may be lawful for such justice-of-the-peace to proceed, whenever the penalty demanded shall not exceed one hundred dollars, notwithstanding any claim the defendant may offer to make to the land whereon and from which the said tree, sapling or pole may be cut, felled, worked up, boxed, bored, destroyed, or carried away, and to issue execution for the same, with costs of suit, unless the defendant or defendants ample offer the sum so demanded, with a sufficiency for costs of suit, conditioned for his or their specarance at the next court where the sum so demanded, with a sufficiency for costs of suit, conditioned for his or their specarance at the next court where the same may be cognizable, in an action of trespass, and to pay damages found against him, her or them, with costs of sait, any law, usage, or custom to the contrary notwithstanding. (Rev 1877, p. 1187—4 Comp. Stat, p. 5387) "

## POST YOUR LAND

The easiest and best course for property owners who have suffered, or may suffer, on this account, is to post their land with notices somewhat as follows and then vigorously pursue every offender

## IT IS FORBIDDEN

To cut, destroy, or remove, any trees, poles, or shrubs from this property under penalty of the law.

JOHN DOE.

Owner

## STATE AID TO FOREST OWNERS.

The State Forest Commission is maintained to help woodland owners develop their properties and make them profitable. It cannot prosecute violators of the law, or assume a burden for anyone, but the State Forester and his assistants will gladly advise and instruct anyone regarding the management of his forest

> (Approved) HENRY B. KUMMEL, Executive Officer

ALFRED GASKILL,

Forester

TRENTON, February 1, 1913.



## FOREST PLANTING.

The conception that forestry begins and ends with tree planting is wide of the mark. Nine-tenths of the world's forests under management were started and are maintained with little or no planting. This is no argument against planting where that is the only means to get forests, as on the prairies, in the Northern States where fire has wiped out the old forest, in our own territory where forest is desirable on land that has once been cleared. Figs. 16, 17. But we are so fortunate as still to be able to have forest in almost any place where forest is desirable by simply protecting the remnant of the old forest and fostering the volunteer growth. Planted forest is better, of course, but it costs so much more than natural forest that under present conditions it usually is wiser to depend upon the latter. Nevertheless, forest trees are planted in North Jersey in considerable number, many of the plantings being made under the direction of the state foresters. With only partial figures of what has been done it is apparent that close to half a million young trees. mostly conifers as they should be, have been set out within a few years. This looks pretty large though in reality it embraces only about 500 acres.

For the guidance of those who have opportunities to plant, or wish to go into the subject more fully, a bulletin Forest Planting in New Jersey has been published and will be mailed free upon request. See also p. 26.

## STATE FOREST RESERVES.

The area of the forest reserves remains as follows:

Mays Landing Reserve, Atlantic Co. Map in Report 1907	373 acres
Bass River Reserve, Burlington Co. Map in Report 1907	1,633 acres
Lebanon Reserve, Burlington Co. Map in Report 1907	3,498 acres
Mount Laurel Reserve, Burlington Co. No map published	20 acres
Penn Reserve, Burlington Co. Map in Report 1911	2,764 acres
Edward C. Stokes Reserve, Sussex Co. Map in Report 1907	5,432 acres
Total	12.720 acres



Fig. 16: Plantation of Pine Made May, 1912: Morris County. The Little Trees Are Seen Best on Top of Hill and at Left.



Fig. 17: Plantation of Pitch Pine Made April, 1913: Atlantic County.

RESTORING FOREST TO LAND THAT YIELDS NOTHING.

As these properties cost but \$45,277, or an average of \$3.30 per acre, they can scarcely fail to increase in value. The aim of the Commission is to redeem them from their low estate, first by keeping out fire, and second by such thinnings, fellings and plantings as are practicable. They are already valuable as examples of what fire protection will do; in time each will yield a revenue that should represent an annual interest on the investment.

## NO EFFORT TO OWN LARGE AREAS.

As is indicated at page 9, the Forest Commission deems it wiser to devote its efforts to uplifting the woodlands of the state without regard to ownership than to strive to increase the state's possessions. This is not at all in harmony with the policies or the desires of most states, but since little land can be acquired except by purchase, and since the removal of any large area from the tax list is of at least questionable wisdom, New Jersey is satisfied to provide demonstration forests and forego larger possessions. We do need more demonstration forests-small tracts in the agricultural sections which can be so managed as to afford object lessons to individual owners. Mount Laurel (see p. 24) is of this class. Nor does the argument against the acquisition of reserves in general preclude the purchase of property from time to time which may have a peculiar value. The Commission now has under consideration the acquisition of a piece of land which will simplify the boundaries of Stokes Reserve and of another adjoining Bass River Reserve.

## WHARTON TRACT.

The project of the state Water Supply Commission to acquire what is known as the Wharton Tract is moving forward. If this great area shall finally come into the control of the state we shall have a large forest reserve as well as a unique source of potable water. The Forest Commission is interested in the plan and is p'edged to do its part in the development of the woodlands. The tract includes about 100,000 acres, of which not less than 80,000 acres are forested.

## FIRE.

This year for the first time no fire has touched any of the state reserves. Mays Landing, Bass River and Mount Laurel have been kept free ever since they came into the possession of the state. Penn also has escaped except for a burn of about 100 acres in 1912. Stokes has suffered two or three small fires, but in the main has also been immune. That Lebanon, which heretofore has borne the brunt of the burnings, has escaped for two successive years is a source of great relief. This general immunity is due in some measure to good fortune, as the spring was very dry, but chiefly to the changed public attitude, to the constant watchfulness of the wardens and to the system of fire-lines which is maintained. See Fig. 37. Telephone connection has now been established with all the reserves except Stokes—a provision that adds much to their security. Fires in the future are not impossible; they are unquestionably less probable than on lands similarly situated which are not cared for.

## IMPROVEMENT.

On all the reserves the improvement in the forest due to immunity from fire is noticeable. Pine trees which a few years ago were little more than knee high now stand above the head of a man. The vigorous growth, and in many cases the density of the stand, indicate the value of these low grade soils for timber production. Those portions of the reserves which have been thinned or otherwise treated are responding to the work of the ax in the way expected.

## MOUNT LAUREL.

This little reserve deserves especial notice because it is serving so well the purpose of its acquisition, namely, the maintenance of the forest and the coincident utilization of a large proportion of the trees. See Figs. 5, 10, 11. The people of the neighborhood who secured the transfer of the property to the Forest Commission because they feared that the Mount was to be denuded are pleased with the improvement in the condition of



Fig. 18: Fire-Resistant Pitch Pine With Reserve Poster.



Fig. 19: Surface Fires Cause Much Lumber Loss by Injuring Trees Like This.

the property, while as before reported, the lumber and wood taken out yielded a net profit of \$15 an acre. The bulletin "An Example of Woodlot Forestry," which describes this piece of work in detail, is still available.

## PRODUCTS.

It would not be difficult to derive a considerable income from any of the reserves if all the timber on them were to be cut. It is deemed expedient, however, to reserve everything that is now there, except such as can be removed in thinnings, until the trees shall be more mature and until a sufficient reproductions is assured. Nothing, of course, can be expected for a number of years from the greater part of the areas as all have been repeatedly cut and burned. On the other hand, there are less than 100 acres of open ground in the whole 13,720 acres and every assurance that natural forests will come with time. The receipts for the year were \$495.36, a sum quite insignificant except that it indicates the Commission's purpose to put the properties on a paying basis as soon as possible.

## TRESPASS.

All unlawful use of the reserves has practically ceased. Absolute freedom in respect to berry picking and hunting (subject to law) is allowed and sometimes dead wood is given away. Timber, moss and cranberries are, however, considered as property to which the state has an owner's right. One insignificant infraction of this right on Stokes reserve was the only instance discovered during the year.

## USE OF RESERVES BY STATE DEPENDENTS.

The State Forester has taken part in several conferences looking to the establishment of colonies or camps from the state charitable and correctional institutions. Contrary to a rather wide-spread belief there is no great opportunity for the employment of labor in forest planting (see p. 22) and comparatively little in other lines of forestry. There are, however,

areas within the reserves where colonies can be advantageously located, where farming can be carried on and where some winter work in forestry can be provided. Furthermore, there is great need, off the reserves as well as on them, for the cleaning of forest roads so that they shall be effective fire lines. This in particular offers an opportunity for the employment of a limited number of convicts. It is expected that some of these projects will crystallize during the coming year.

## SURVEYS.

A survey of Stokes reserve has been practically completed and provision made for marking each corner permanently. In so rough a territory, and with many doubtful points in the old survey, this has been a task of some difficulty. Considerable work of this kind remains to be done on other reserves, several points in the original surveys having been found faulty.

## SHELTER CABINS.

To the cabins erected last year on Lebanon and Penn reserves a larger one, built of logs, has been added this year on Stokes reserve. This will serve as headquarters for the warden and shelter to any who may be working on or visiting the reserve. Its cost, including furniture, was about \$400.

## FOREST PLANTATIONS.

In the spring a number of experimental plantations were made on Mays Landing, Bass River and Lebanon reserves. These were located on old fields and designed to give some exact information about the availability of various conifers, chiefly pines, for planting on the poorer soils of South Jersey. No results can be expected for several years.

It is possible to record, however, and with some satisfaction, that the plantations made in 1907 on the Conger tract at New Brunswick are in several instances developing true forest forms. The evergreens there planted have not succeeded well, proving, as was expected, that the heavy soil of that section is not



Fig. 20: Black Locust and Red Oak 6 ft. x 6 ft. in Alternate Rows. Locust 25 ft. High: Oak 13 ft. High.



Fig. 21: Straight Stemmed Locust: Fig. 22: Oak and Ash, Planted 6 ft.
In Two Years Some Will Be Fit x 6 ft., Now Average

for Posts. 12 ft. High.

A Seven-Year-Old Plantation (Seedlings 2Years Old) In Which Forest
Conditions Are Established: Middlesex County.

adapted to coniferous trees. Here we have learned through failure what not to do. In contrast with this is the success of the deciduous plantations. Red oak, European white oak, ash and beech, all set out when less than a foot high, now range up to 12 feet and are in good form. Beech naturally is more backward than any of the others. Locust of the same age, planted 6 feet by 6 feet, has an average height of about 20 feet. A limited number of fence posts can in all probability be cut after two years. It is notable that comparatively little damage has been done by the locust borer and that mixed plantations of red oak and locust are in better form than the pure plantations of either species. See Figs. 20, 21, 22. These stands are now in a condition to afford object lessons of several kinds. The pure locust stands are fully closed and a characteristic forest litter. with almost a complete absence of undergrowth, is observed. In mixed stands the development of this typical condition is in progress.

## SHADE TREES.

It has been necessary to give more attention than ever before to shade tree interests. Appreciation of shade tree values is growing everywhere and the Forest Commission is called upon to help individuals and communities. There is no question that the shade trees all over the state are in better condition than they ever have been, nor that there are more of them by many thousands.

## PARKS.

The foresters of the Forest Commission have also been called into consultation in a number of instances by those having charge of local parks. Assistance of this kind is given as readily as in the case of shade trees. Necessarily, landscape questions are not considered, at least in an authoritative way, but advice is offered regarding tree diseases, insect enemies, planting, fertilizing, etc.

In this connection it may be reaffirmed that most private woodlands are in effect public parks. Few owners object to a

reasonable use of their property; barriers are rarely raised until fires, hackings and other abuses become intolerable. The most highly organized forests of Europe are great playgrounds as well as producers of lumber. Ours should be, and can be, the same.

## SHADE TREE COMMISSIONS.

The number of these organizations is increasing as the people learn of the effective work that such bodies can do. According to the best information obtainable there are now 52 shade tree commissions, or equivalent organizations, in as many communities, organized under the law of 1893 and its supplements. These are enumerated in the accompanying summary: Table I. It will be observed that five have been created within the year. The appropriations, though aggregating \$175,000, are in most cases deemed insufficient for local needs; indeed, the sums allotted in all but two or three of the larger cities seem almost insignificant. Effective work cannot be expected where money in reasonable amount is withheld.

The value of a commission organized under our State laws is, however, fully established. Apart from the tree planting, doctoring, etc., that is provided for it can, and often does, represent the community interest in some controversy. Thus the Secretary of one commission writes:

"We have utilized our authority to save three large elms. The trees in question were about eighteen inches within the curb line as established by the engineers preparatory to paving as a County Road. We induced our local engineer to extend the curb out the necessary distance, which preserves the trees for the present.

present.

"As a growing town we are having a considerable amount of paving and curbing laid at present and we are continually called upon to determine whether trees are to come down or whether street lines are to be deflected to accommodate the trees. So far we have had no trouble with either contractors or engineer, both accept our position as arbitrators."

Fig. 31 shows an improvement made by a Shade Tree Commission at the expense of a local gas company. All this is as it should be.

Unfortunately, the recognized defects in the laws have not yet been remedied. One enactment contradicts or involves another until some communities have actually declined to organize commissions because they could not be sure what one's

TABLE I.—SUMMARY OF SHADE TREE COMMISSIONS IN THE STATE, AND THEIR ACTIVITIES.

Community.	Commission Appointed.	Appropriation 1913.	Lines of Work Followed.	Special Needs.	Executive.
Allendale,	1910	\$ 64.62	Trimming, doctoring.	Trees that will thrive near	William Dewsnap, Sec.
Atlantic City,	1913	2,000.00	Not yet active.	:	Hugh S. Kinmouth, Pres. Charles F. Wahl, Chm.
Bayonne, (I)				Money to care for trees.	Walter H. Gantz, Fres. Fark Com.
Belleville,	1912	1,850.00	Trimming, planting.	Co-operation of public.	D. S. Tillon, Sec.
Bloomfield, (2)	1912 1909	1,700.00	Trimming.  Trimming. planting. spraying. More money.	More trees.	J. Fletcher Street, Sec. John A. Rassbach, Sec.
Bogota,	1161	215.00	Planting, spraying, trimming.	ng Larger appropriation.	
Bound Brook, (2)	1161	None.	Spraying, etc., education.		J. G. Fisher, Sec.
Caldwell,	1912	350.00 None	Planting, opraying.	More trees, better care.	John Espey, Mayor.
Chatham,	1909	164.81	Planting, spraying.		H. DeB. Page, Sec.
Dover,	1161	1,000.00 (3)			P. C. Buck, Pres.
East Orange,	1904		Planting and general care.	More flexible law.	E. H. Bennett, Arborist.
East Rutherford,	9061	228.15	Planting, trimming, etc.	More money.	F. J. Schoonmaker, Pres.
Elizabeth,	<b>4</b> ;	4,900.00 (5)			
	4		. Spraying, trimming, etc.	Provision for plan	
Glen Kidge,	1911	1,500.00 (5)	(,500.00 (5) Planting, trimming, park work.		Martin J. Baldwin, Sec.
ized	;	(6)	praiming,		
Haddonfield,	1911 (5)	400.00	Trimming, planting.	Authority to remove useless	
Hasbrouck Heights,	1161	200.00	Trimming, planting, genera		Allen Clymer, Sec.
O Haworth	0101	70:00	care.	Guidance to work right.	Iohn Blyth, Sec. H R Van Dusen Pres
Irvington,	1161	1,350.00	Trimming, planting, removal. Larger working fund		Geo. Jennings, Sec.
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TABLE I.—SUMMARY OF SHADE TREE COMMISSIONS IN THE STATE, AND THEIR ACTIVITIES—Continued.

Community.	Commission Appointed.	Appropriation 1913.	Lines of Work Followed.	Special Needs.	Executive.
Jersey City,	(9) 8061	53,430.00	Planting, maintenance, park work.	maintenance, park More parks and play grounds, more attention to old trees. A.	A. Harry Moore, Director.
Kearny,	. 6061	2,250.00		More money.	G. W. McClintick, Sec.
Lakewood,	1910	100.00	Flanting, pruning, spraying. Trimming, planting.	Ernst Bilhuber, Chm.	Ernst Bilhuber, Chm.
Metuchen,	1908, 1913		Recently re-organized, not yet active.		Geo. W. Litterst, Pres.
Montclair,	1909	7,560.00 (5) Spraying,	Spraying, planting, general		S accepted 4 T
Morristown,	0161	1,000.00	care. Spraying, doctoring.	More money.	Jas. G. Lidgerwood, Sec.
Mount Holly,	1913	65.000.00 (5)	65.000.00 (5) Maintenance and improve-	improve- Enforcement of ordinances,	Ross Quicksall, Sec.
NCWAIN,	*	(6) 201010(6)	•	increased appropriations.	Carl Bannwart, Sec.
North Plainfield,	0161	250.00	Spraying, etc., education.	l labor.	Henry Crofut White, Pres.
Nutley,	1912	1,500.00	planting.		E. L. Broadbent, Sec.
Palmyra,	1161	200.00		More money.	J. O. Inilow, Chm.
Passaic,	1899	10,350.00 (5)	10,350.00 (5) Maintenance, improvement.	parks.	C. S. Deans, Sec.
Paterson,	(I)	1,000.00	Spraying, pruning.		Edward Sceery, Pres. Park Board.
Point Pleasant,	0161	None.		Advice about planting.	Clarence H. Murphy, Chm.
Pompton Lakes,	1913	1,000.00	Planting. Trimming, etc.	More trees. Funds to extend work.	youn J. Dartnoit, Fres. W. H. Stillhamer, Sec.
Ridgefield Park, (8)			:		
Ridgewood, (2)	1912	600.00 (5)	600.00 (5) Spraying, trimming. Funds. Pruning. spraying. removals. Money to do more work.		J. C. De La Cour, Sec.
Roselle Park,	0161	350.00	Spraying, trimming.		G. W. Griffin, Sec.
Rutherford,	1908	1,500.00	Maintenance and improve-	improve-Maintenance and improve-	Roger W. Morgan, Sec.
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TABLE I.—SUMMARY OF SHADE TREE COMMISSIONS IN THE STATE, AND THEIR ACTIVITIES—Comminged.

	Executive.	Jacob Shurts, Sec. George K. Badger, Sec.	E. N. Bush, Sec.	E. A. Schutter, Sec.
	Special Needs.	More money.	at use of trees for	
	Lines of Work Followed.	rimming, etc.	Spraying, trimming. Trimming, planting, spraying.	Activities suspended. 70.00 Planting, pruning, education Education of public.
	Appropriation 1913.	Trimming. 800.00 Spraying, t	200.00	70.00
	Commission Appointed	1912	1912	0161
	Community.	Somerville,	Verona,	Woodbury,

(1) Park Commission has charge of shade trees.

(2) Statement refers to 1912; no report for 1913.
(3) About \$250 more raised by local effort.

(4) Attention given to shade trees by a committee of Council.

(5) Part devoted to park work.

(6) Now under commission government; work directed by Department of Parks and Public Property.

(7) No Shade Tree Commission but trees and parks cared for by Improvement Commission (Town Gov't.).

(8) Shade Tree Commission extinguished by adoption of Commission Government. Commissioner of Roads and Parks will continue work.

powers and limitations might be. There is, of course, no real basis for such an attitude since several shade tree commissions, notably those of Passaic, Newark and East Orange, have been doing effective work for upwards of 10 years. The State Forester has had a number of conferences with the Attorney General and with a committee of shade tree commission officials on a revision of the laws. It is hoped that a reasonable bill can be presented for enactment during the coming legislative session.

One of the chief needs of shade tree commissions outside of large cities is for technical advice. Few have the money to employ a forester, or really enough work for one. The members of the commission themselves have little technical knowledge, yet want to do good work for their community. The state foresters have accordingly stood ready to advise and assist in every way whenever called upon to do so. In the spring visits were made to a majority of the communities having shade tree commissions, apparently with good results. One outcome of these visits was the preparation of the circular reproduced as Fig. 23. These were published by the Forest Commission but distributed in the main by the local shade tree commissions. The recommendations made were based chiefly upon the recognized facts that a shade tree commission may be more effective if it has the knowledge and authority of the Forest Commission behind it, and that individuals can be induced to do right by their trees if they definitely are told how.

## CO-OPERATION.

The central idea in shade tree work is co-operation. Property owners, the municipality and the state itself each has a part to play. The state's interest is broad, being chiefly to make its territory attractive and to harmonize and unify the efforts of the several communities. The communities' interest is to increase local values and to strengthen individual aims and efforts. The property owners are commonly divided into two classes: those who resist all outlay and are satisfied with indifferent results, and those who are willing to be taxed moderately for public improvements. The latter must, of course,

# Forest Park Reservation Commission of New Jersey

## Who Looks After Your SHADE TREES?

TO YOUR STREETS LOOK LIKE THIS?





1913

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WATER YOUR TREES Every Summer brings many compilates of falling trees In most states the trouble is simply due to lack of water—the trees cannot get from the self, often covered with a tight, heat-radiating pavement the water that they need if the haves an your tree begin to wither, SOAK the ground once a weet; so infinite deep to withing deep.

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LOOK OUT FOR THE LAWN MOWER, BITING HORSES and everything that breaks the bark of a tree

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CEMENT FILLING is advisable only when there is a
cavity in which water may lie. Do not lill shallow wounds

simply clean and tar them.

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LEAKY GAS MAINS will injure or hill any meanby there is sleek is suspected, report it to the Gas Company and to the Stade Tree Commission AT ONCE. It loss is suffered by the Shade Tree Commission adjust it.

ELECTRIC WIRES rarely do harm to trees, but finemen do much; long them under strict control. No electric company has a right to injury your tree. If you have trouble, see the Shade Tree Commission.

DON'T EMPLOY TREE BUTCHERS Few healthy trees

## SUPPORT YOUR SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Back up its efforts and see that it has a reasonable appropriation. Goodwill does much, money does more in return it will help you to care for your own trees.

Being organized under State law, your Shade Tree Commission has

in fertilizar the food that your trees lose when you take away the faithe meets, greas depopter, et. Each Spring work stable manure into the soil or apply this mixture—WOT MOSE than 1½ peends to each 100 square feet of soil. 2 peers Nitrate Soid. 1 peer Murate Polach, 3 peers Acid Phosphan, 2 perts Bone Meal.

trees are due to starvation. In the forest trees flud nourishment in the litter that accumulates beneath them. Replace

At least hall the ills of shade

FEED YOUR TREES

1. Full control over all trees on the highways.

2 Power to trim. dector or move any street tree, or to problets the trimming, deciving se removed of any street tree.

3 Power to determine when, where and what kind of a street tree all be planted, and to prohibit the planting of my street tree.

4. Power to assess the cost of a tree, with guand and all file necessary, against the property in front of which it is planted. IT CANNOT charge the cost of tramming, spraying or removing against the property.



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FIG. 23: A SUCCESSFUL SHADE TREE CIRCULAR.

THE REGIST AND WINDRED OF TREE DOCTORING

govern, and individuals must yield their preferences, and sometimes their personal interests, for the general advantage. Here is where the value of a shade tree commission comes in. Such a body presumably does everything for the public welfare. If it restricts an individual it does so because it is necessary. Shade tree work cannot be carried on satisfactorily where every property owner is allowed to follow his own will. A measure of public control by which symmetry, effectiveness and balance are achieved is absolutely necessary.

## ADJUSTING CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES.

One of the most satisfactory lines undertaken by a shade tree commission is the adjustment of claims for damages arising from public improvements, such as road construction, gas or electric installations. In several instances, some of them at the request of service companies, the State Forester has aided in effecting settlements out of court for injuries suffered by individuals. Numerous local shade tree commissions have done even more. In Passaic, East Orange and Newark very considerable payments have been made by the public service corporations to cover the cost of replacing and maintaining shade trees that were lost.

Another important line of effort is to avoid claims for damages by adjustments before injury is suffered. The Forest Commission and several Shade Tree Commissions have been helpful in this way. See p. 28.

## ENEMIES.

The dangers that beset shade trees are considered somewhat fully under the subject of tree pests, see p. 35. It is emphasized here, however, that shade trees are unavoidably and necessarily always under strain, that consequently they should have care and attention at all times if they would be kept in good condition. It is almost literally true that most of our shade trees suffer from one ill only, neglect. The remedy is obvious, the means to be employed in any specific case are given in this report or in other publications of the Forest Commission.

## DROUTH.

In parts of the state many shade trees have suffered through lack of rain. See p. 43. Taken altogether the losses by the unusual drouths of the past five summers have been serious. Tree owners are reminded that when Nature fails they must lend a hand. Cultivation of the surface soil in a dry time often does as much good as water.

## NORWAY MAPLES.

There is danger that the planting of Norway maples in towns and villages, and to some extent in cities, will be carried to excess. The tree is unquestionably a good one; it is especially adapted to narrow streets and unfavorable locations, but too often is planted where a larger, more dignified and more valuable tree is indicated. Red oak, scarlet oak, tulip poplar, white elm, sycamore, linden and sugar maple are all worthy of place on the wider, better cared-for streets. Let norways serve where the others cannot be.

## TOO CLOSE PLANTING.

And it is advised that street trees be not planted too close together. A spacing of 25 feet seems ample when the trees are set out, yet it is too little even for norway maples when well grown. In some towns large-growing species like sycamore have been set on twenty feet intervals. In all planting it is highly important to consider the mature size and form of a tree. It rarely is advisable to set trees less than forty feet apart.

## ROADSIDE TREES.

The proposal to apply the shade tree laws to country roads has not yet been brought to a practical demonstration. The State Road Commissioner has found no opportunity to carry into effect the plans published a year ago by which new road construction might be required to include tree planting. It is agreed that such improvements should not be forced upon any community, but should come rather in response to a demand



FIG. 24: NEW SIDEWALK LAID WITHOUT DISTURBING FINE OLD TREES.



FIG. 25: OLD OAKS LEFT STANDING IN IMPROVED ROAD.



Fig. 26: Broad Lawns and Park Areas Give Opportunity for Irregular Planting.

STRAIGHT LINES IN SHADE TREES AND IN ROADS MAY OFTEN BE DEPARTED FROM.

for such betterments as shade trees give in conjunction with improved highways.

## OILED ROADS.

Some apprehension is abroad that the use of dust-reducing preparations on stone roads will injure nearby trees. Ground for this fear is given in reports from France that some loss has been suffered where a roadbed had been treated with tar. The evidence is not conclusive, however, and insofar as our territory is concerned there is no immediate danger. Nevertheless, to forestall any possible trouble from the continued use of these surfacings a series of experiments and tests is to be undertaken with a view to determining the actual effect upon vegetation of road-building methods and road materials.

## SHADE TREE BOOK.

The Commission's publication, "The Planting and Care of Shade Trees." See p. 42. apparently meets a real need. It is in constant demand and though still available, it has been found necessary to limit its distribution to citizens of the State.

## TREE PESTS.

The open winter and wet early spring favored the development of an unusual number of insect pests. Cottony maple scale, tulip soft scale, and elm scale were prevalent on trees of those species. Some damage was done, and in numerous cases it was necessary to resort to treatment, but there is no reason to believe that natural enemies will not soon restore the normal balance. The State Entomologist and the State Plant Pathologist, either of whom may be addressed at New Brunswick, are active in looking after troubles in their particular lines and the State Forester is working in complete harmony with them. There is no indication of any dangerous new pest attacking our trees and forests.

The Federal law under which the Secretary of Agriculture is controlling the importation of, and the interstate traffic in, diseased or insect infested plants is in full operation and is effective. With the watchfulness maintained by the state officials, and a general co-operation of the nurserymen, it is expected that our territory will be kept free from serious dangers. The situation with respect to the more common tree pests is this:

## CHESTNUT BLIGHT.

The disease has been found in Salem County so that the only part of the state now unaffected is Cape May County. Trees in the northern and central sections are dying rapidly and falling under the ax. There are some indications that the blight is slightly less virulent than it was and is progressing less rapidly. There is, however, no proof of this.

It is now thought that the disease came from China where it has been found on native chestnuts which are virtually immune to its attack. The practical bearing of this discovery is that we may look forward to a time when the chestnuts in this country will become resistant. It is not likely that this will happen before all of New Jersey's chestnut trees are gone. Tree and forest owners are advised, as heretofore, to realize on their chestnut timber as soon as the trees are dead or seriously affected, but not to fell any tree in advance of its death except in situations where economy dictates a clear cutting. In this case the sacrifice of affected individuals will not help those that are still apparently sound. On the other hand, dead trees should not be allowed to stand long lest they furnish breeding places for harmful insects or foster other diseases.

The market for chestnut poles, posts and railroad ties is still good and prices well maintained, but there is a glut of cordwood and it appears inevitable that much must be allowed to decay. All efforts to utilize this material in excess quantity have thus far failed, though the forest authorities of New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and the U. S. Department of Agriculture have joined with those of New Jersey in attempts to find an outlet.

Valuable shade trees may sometimes be given an increased length of life by careful pruning if their owners feel warranted in incurring the expense. Specific directions for such work will be sent upon request. **Owners** of blighted chestnut are especially warned not to spend money on so-called cures. No practicable remedy has been discovered. If one shall be found the State authorities will make the fact known promptly. Recently published statements that children have been poisoned by eating nuts from diseased trees are not substantiated, though investigations to determine the fact are under way.

Assurance can be given that the disease attacks no other species than chestnut, and that it has no injurious effect upon the wood. A blight similar to that of the chestnut has been observed on chestnut oaks. Chestnut oak is not a chestnut but an oak of the white oak group. The disease proves to be comparatively well known to plant pathologists and is not dangerous. Its occurrence, however, should be promptly reported so that it may be kept under observation. A somewhat similar disease has also been found on norway maples. All reported cases are under observation. Serious trouble may come but need not be anticipated.

## ELM LEAF BEETLE.

The damage done by this pest was much less serious than it has been for several years. Most communities continued their sprayings, but in a few it was omitted with no serious results. The indications are that the insect is coming under control and that before long the expense of spraying may be saved, but for the present shade tree commissions, city authorities and private owners are advised to hold themselves and their spraying equipment in readiness. If the pests shall have been so reduced that there is no serious danger next spring the State Entomologist will advise that spraying is not necessary. In the absence of such advice the usual precautions should be taken, since proper spraying at the proper time is an infallible remedy. Where trees are weakened in other ways, as they often are, other measures are indicated. Specific advice will be given upon request.

## HICKORY BARK BEETLE.

This insect is doing more and more damage. In some sections most of the hickory trees are gone. Nevertheless, all fear

that the hickories are doomed like the chestnuts may be set at In this case we have to deal with an insect instead of a fungous disease, a less serious matter. Moreover, the larvæ of the beetle, which do most of the damage, work chiefly in weakened trees, generally avoiding those that are well nourished and healthy. Attacks on the twigs by which the foliage is made to wilt and fall off can be controlled in a measure by pruning, and moderate infestations reduced somewhat by coating the trunk with white-wash in which arsenate of lead has been mixed, or with strong whale-oil soap suds. In any case, burn at once all trimmings that may harbor the insects or their eggs. But the best and most practicable remedy is to work the ground beneath the trees, fertilize and water it. See p. 39. If the insects are very active, cut the tree down and burn the wood at once; it can be expected to live only a short time anyhow; to delay its removal simply gives the beetles a chance to multiply and attack neighboring trees.

## BROWN TAIL MOTH AND GYPSY MOTH.

The State is still free of these dangerous insects. Specimens of both have been discovered but thus far the State Entomologist has succeeded in exterminating them. There is, therefore, no necessity for assuming the great expense that New England now bears in its effort to control these pests.

## TUSSOCK MOTH.

In several cities this insect does much damage besides being a general nuisance. It can be controlled, however, by picking off and destroying the cocoons in winter and banding the trees with cotton batting in May. If this is omitted, or is not effective, the caterpillars can be poisoned when on the foliage by spraying as for elm leaf beetles.

## LEOPARD MOTH.

The larvæ of this insect do much damage in several of the northeastern cities, but the trouble is not general. Control is



Fig. 27: Butchered Maples: Such Pruning is Never Justified. Wires Do Not Interfere.



Fig. 28: Trees Abused by Builders: Always Put Strong Guard About Trees While Building is Going On.

difficult as the borers live in the trees two full years. It is advised that the borers be pursued in their burrows with wires or with carbon disulphid and especially that insectivorous birds, which eat the moths, be encouraged.

## WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST.

This dreaded disease, which in 1909 threatened to become established with us, is apparently under complete control so far as New Jersey is concerned. A few affected trees were found in two small nurseries but the owner of each readily consented to the destruction of the entire stock. Notwithstanding this it is still advised that white pine be not planted in large quantities, but rather mixed with other species which are not susceptible.

## MAPLE BLIGHT.

Many reports have been made of failing maple trees, chiefly sugar maples and norway maples. In most cases, the trouble was traced to a deficiency of water or to a lack of nutriment. The remedy is to supply these deficiencies, and in some cases to reduce the draft on the roots by thinning the crown. This should be done by inside pruning, rarely by outside pruning, never by topping.

## STARVATION.

Forest trees rarely suffer in this way, or from lack of water, because Nature has provided for a supply of both in the unremoved litter on the ground and in the unrestricted root system. It is a fact, however, that more shade trees are lost through starvation or thirst than in any other way. Owners are advised, first, to see that their trees do not lack water; if rain fails apply the hose. A drenching once a week is better than a sprinkling every day. Second, to be sure that the roots of the trees are not cut off from air by a close pavement, or even by a thick sod. The best condition is afforded by a free earth space about the base of each tree which is kept well cultivated. Third, to apply fertilizer every spring. If a tree has lacked for a number of

years apply in fall as well until a normal condition is reached. Well-rotted stable manure forked into the soil is best. If that is not available, or is objectionable, use a mixture of commercial fertilizer in the following proportions: For loamy or sandy soils equal weights of nitrate of soda, acid phosphate, muriate of potash and ground bone. For heavy soils use 2 parts nitrate of soda, 3 parts acid phosphate, 1 part muriate of potash, 2 parts bone meal. In either case use not over 1 1-2 pounds of the mixture to 100 sq. ft. of exposed soil. If the footing (open space at the base) of a tree is small, apply one ounce of fertilizer for each four square feet once a month between April and September.

## TREE DOCTORS-WARNING.

The warning against fake tree doctors that has been issued for several years past is repeated. Notwithstanding several exposures and numerous complaints these men still ply their trade. Plenty of trees need doctoring and there are reputable tree doctors. The Forest Commission urges owners of trees to give them proper attention. It also urges them not to employ irresponsible men, and particularly not to allow an unknown man to prune a tree upon his own assertion that the tree needs it. Owners of shade trees are always advised to consult their local shade tree commissions when work is apparently necessary. If there is no such organization the State Forester, the State Entomologist, or the State Plant Pathologist will recommend competent men.

## WOOD INDUSTRIES.

The study of wood utilization and wood values announced a year ago is nearly ready for publication. The field work, done by the U. S. Forest Service under a co-operative agreement, is finished and the revision of the tables, etc., is under way. It is expected that this report will be of considerable value to all buyers, sellers and users of wood.

The Lumber Directory of wood buyers is constantly gaining accessions and usefulness. It is not to be published but to serve simply as a record of parties with whom any citizen having



Fig. 29: A Wound With a Harmful Filling. Normal Healing is Checked and the Tree is "Bleeding."
(Note dark spot below wound).



Fig. 30: A Wound Cleaned and Tarred, But Not Filled. Healing Perfectly.



Photo by E. H. Bennett.

Fig. 31: Double Row of Plane Trees Planted and Maintained by the Shade
Tree Commission at Cost of Public Service Corporation. East Orange.

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wood to sell may deal. In numerous instances owners of chestnut timber have been helped to find buyers for a material that they themselves knew not how to dispose of. The Commission invites correspondence on this subject. Manifestly, its only object is to facilitate the utilization of forest products.

## PUBLICATIONS.

In this direction the Commission has been more active this year than ever before. Grateful acknowledgment is made to the Commissioner of Public Instruction and his staff for their hearty co-operation in the effort to bring forestry and its aims before the public school pupils. Besides the Annual Report, of which 2,500 copies were distributed, the following have been issued:

- 1. Cutting Trees on Land Not One's Own is Unlawful, Edition 2,500.
- A circular, distributed through the Granges, to answer many complaints of vandalism and show that no forest or tree owner need suffer if he will take the trouble to invoke the law. See p. 21.
- 2. Trees and Forests. 15 pp. with illustrations. Published by the Department of Public Instruction as Elementary Agriculture Leaflet No. 9. It is intended chiefly to show teachers how to connect forestry with geography, history, arithmetic, etc.
- 3. Arbor Day. 31 pp. A reprint, published by the Department of Public Instruction, of the series of papers first printed in 1912. Its aim is to fit arbor day exercises to New Jersey conditions
- 4. Forest Planting in New Jersey. 31 pp. with illustrations. Edition 3,000. Gives full instructions for planting forest trees and some figures of cost and yield.
- 5. Forest Fire Manual. 44 pp. Edition 2,500. A handbook for firewardens and others who have to do with the control of forest fires.
- 6. List of Firewardens. 15 pp. Edition 1,000. A directory of all connected with the State Forest Fire Service.
- 7. The Automobile. Edition 50,000. A card of warning and advice to automobile drivers about forest fires. Distributed in co-operation with the State Motor Vehicle Department and the Associated Automobile clubs.
- 8. New Jersey's Forest Fire Law. Edition 5,000. A card showing what may and what may not be done with fire Distributed through boy scouts, by mail, etc.
- 9. Did You Ever Stop to Think? Edition 50,000. A leaflet to emphasize the evil in forest fires and the dependence of all forestry upon forest fire control. Distributed chiefly through the rural schools.
- 10. Forest Fires. Edition 1,000. A card 9x11 inches printed in black on red and posted in rural railroad stations and other prominent places.
- 11. Forest Fire Puzzle Cup. Edition 100,000. A paper drinking cup (devised by the Western Forestry and Conservation Association) intended to emphasize

the forest fire evil as it is folded into usable shape. It was distributed in large quantities at several fairs and through the rural schools.

12. Who Looks After Your Shade Trees? Edition 20,000. A 4-page leaflet, illustrated, giving practical instructions about shade trees. Distributed chiefly through local Shade Tree Commissions. See Fig. 23.

All the above except Nos. 1, 6 and 10 are still available and will be sent free upon request.

"An Example of Woodlot Forestry" and "The Planting and Care of Shade Trees," both published in 1912, are also available though the demand for the latter is so great that some restrictions are imposed.

## STATE AID IN FORESTRY.

To encourage the practice of forestry on private lands, the Forest Commission offers the services of its foresters, so far as their time will permit, to all who ask for them. When it is necessary or advisable a competent forester will study the situation on the ground. If cutting is to be done a part of the trees to be felled will be marked to guide the owner in the removal of the rest. Advice in regard to markets will be given, but in no case will the forester have part or interest in a sale. Those who wish to undertake forest planting will be advised regarding the most suitable species for their situations, how to obtain the trees and how to plant them. No young trees or seeds are furnished by the State. Fire protective plans will also be formulated.

In all cases the assistance given is advisory. There is no obligation to follow the recommendations made, though where they are acted upon the Forest Commission claims the right to inspect the property from time to time and to publish facts concerning the work for the benefit of the public.

Similar aid will be given regarding **Shade Trees** except that inspections can ordinarily be made only upon the request of a Shade Tree Commission or similar public agency—not of an individual.

The cost to any owner is the forester's actual expenses while away from Trenton. His salary is paid by the State. Public institutions, Shade Tree Commissions, etc., will be aided without charge.

Write to the State Forester, Trenton, about anything relating to forests or shade trees—not fruit trees.

# FOREST FIRES

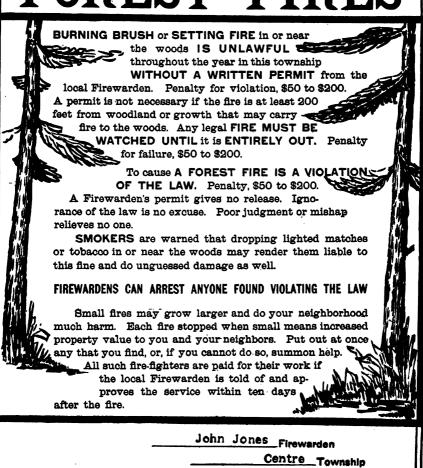


Fig. 32: New Fire Poster. Wherever These Appear the Forest Fire Law is in Effect.

# The Forest Fire Service

By Charles P. Wilber, State Firewarden.

## THE FIRE SEASON.

The year 1913 presents an unfortunate break in the record of diminishing forest fires. See Table II.. New Jersey was hard hit, but the setback discloses no weakening in the efficiency of the Fire Service, for it is directly attributable to the weather, always the controlling and uncontrollable factor in forest fire prevention, as in crop production. The weather throughout the season combined in a curious way excessive moisture and abnormal drought; no one period of great duration, but in several instances unusually intense. In March and April brief but excessively dry periods combined with abnormally high winds. As all vegetation is undeveloped at that season and the sandy soils in the pine region dry out rapidly, this condition brought two periods of unusually disastrous fires in South Jersey. Out of a State total of 678 fires reported, 109 burned in March and 203 in April; and of the 27 large fires—those burning 500 acres or more, one occurred in early March and eight in the two dry periods of April. In May there was a drouth almost unprecedented in the history of South Jersey for that time of year. The local press of May 13 mentions the fact that not since 1880 had conditions of this sort been recorded. During this period 141 more fires were added. The result of these conditions is that we find charged to the spring nearly all of the bad fires and two-thirds of the total number for the year.

In June there was another lack of rainfall, which is to some extent reflected in the 88 fires that burned, though as vegetation was then advanced and the high winds of the spring were lacking, the fires were far smaller in size. At the end of June and throughout July, there was, according to the Atlantic City weather data, "less precipitation than during any year since the

establishment of the U. S. weather service here twenty-four years ago." -These conditions grew more severe in August, the whole rainfall being limited to locally distributed and brief thunder showers. Large fires, however, were not encountered save on a few specific dates when the wind again made any spark a potential fire of large area. The total number of summer fires, 156, is less than those of the same three months last year, although conditions were more dangerous. The rainfall in the two fall months was normal and there were almost no fires.

TABLE II.—FOREST FIRES IN 1913, AND IN PREVIOUS YEARS.

Year.	No. of Fires.	Total Acres Burned.	Acres per Fire.	Total Loss.	Loss per Fire.
No	organized s	ervice, inc	omplete repo	orts.	
1872,		100,000		\$1,000,000	
1880,		71,074		252,240	\$4,671
1885,		128,000		1,128,000	
1895,		66,120	1,349	600,000	12,245
1902,	65	98,850	1,520	169,323	2,605
1903,	79	85,046	1,076		
190ન	81	41,530	512	193,413	2,388
	Organ	ized fire s	ervice.		
1907,	167	11,525	69	11,647	70
1908	533	52,978	100	64,536	121
1909,	563	93,525	166]	133,944	238
1910,	611	81,452	133	127,850	209
1911, Forest Fires,	289	64,404	122	86,940	165
Embryo Fires †	239	}	[		
.1912, Forest Fires,	214 !	26,291	48	21,501	39
Embryo Fires, †	331	_	ļ j	_	
1913, Forest Fires,	311	53,823	77	67,205	99
Embryo Fires, †	367 (	1	<u>i ·l</u>		

<sup>†</sup> Burned less than five acres.

# NUMBER AND AREA OF FIRES.

In numbers, the record of fires of 1913, as shown in Table III below, bears out the expected increase in the embryo class due to more conscientious reporting of every fire. The marked increase in the number of true forest fires mirrors the acute climatic conditions of the Spring. The striking feature is that, with so many more fires started under adverse conditions, the proportion of them that reached five acres in size shows so slight an increase over that of a year ago. See Table III. It is encouraging to find that 54 per cent of all fires recorded were but embryos and that but 13 per cent burned more than 100 acres. The total area burned marks a still greater increase over a year ago, though analysis shows that 80 per cent of the

TABLE III.—FOREST FIRES BY RELATIVE AREA BURNED, AND BY COUNTIES, 1913.

		Number	of Forest	Fires.		Total Embryo
County.	5-10 Acres.	11-100 Acres.	101-1000 Acres.	Over 1000 Acres.	Total.	Fires (less than 5 acres)
North Jersey,			]			
Bergen,	2	[		. <i>.</i>	2	18
Morris,	. 3	23	1		27	31
Passaic,	1	5			6	20
Somerset,	3	3	1		7	12
Sussex,	3	17	,		22	25
Warren,	I	I		<u> </u>	2	12
Total,	13	49	1 4		66	118
South Jersey,			ĺ	1		
Atlantic,	8	34			66	49
Burlington,	4	17	11	3	35	17
Camden,	3	17			23	
Cape May,	7	10			22	48
Cumberland,	4	13			23	12
Gloucester,	2	4	6		12	
Mercer,						
Middlesex,	3	10			15	, -
Monmouth,		8			13	
Ocean,	6	14	11	] 1	32	
Salem,	· · · · · · · ·	1			1	2
Fires that burned		l	ļ			
in more than one		1	_			
county			2	1	3	• • • • • • • • • •
Total,	37	128	68	12	245	249
State totals	50	177	72	12	311	367
Per cent of total	   7	26	111	2	. 46	54

total is chargeable to 27 fires which burned on dates that stand out as notably hazardous. Thirteen of these, driven by high winds, burned 500 acres or more, with an aggregate of almost 20,000 acres out of the year's total of 53,823 acres.

# CAUSES OF FIRES.

(See Table IV.)

#### RAILROAD FIRES.

Of the known agents, the railroads are as they have always been, the worst offenders. This year they started 31 per cent of the true forest fires and 57 per cent of those described as embryo fires, any of which but for prompt attention might have ranked as a forest fire. This preponderance of railroad fires need not be, as is strikingly indicated in the experience of the Pennsylvania Railroad system (see Table V). By exercising care in the operation of its locomotives, and by emphasizing the importance of fire control, this company almost nullified the dangers of the season, and reduced the number of fires on account of which claims for expenses were made from 63 a year ago to 18 this year.

The marked difference between this and the Atlantic City Railroad's record suggests a failure to solve the mechanical and administrative problems involved in the kind of fuel used, the type of locomotive and its operation. Portions of this line, as of the New Jersey Central Railroad, run through a territory so sparsely peopled that large fires are easily developed through lack of help to control them in the early stages.

#### BRUSH FIRES.

Fires from brush burning were 9 more than occurred last year. True forest fires from this cause were fewer than in any previous year's record, the slight increase being all in embryo fires. This record reflects directly the decreased number of unnecessary fires now started under the permit requirement, and the increased caution that strict enforcement of the permit law has secured.



 $\label{eq:Photo.by Hugh P. Baker.} Photo. \ by \ Hugh \ P. \ Baker.$  Fig. 33: The Explosion That Stopped the Fire.



Photo by Hugh P. Baker.

FIG. 34: A PART OF THE GROUND AFTER THE EXPLOSION. THE FIRE CAN BE
EASILY CONTROLLED NOW.

FIGHTING A FOREST FIRE WITH DYNAMITE.



# TABLE IV.—FOREST FIRES BY CAUSES AND COUNTIES, 1913.

						NUM	BER.							
COUNTY.			Description Description	guaring usning	Smotherin	SHOWERS		Sportsmen	Mercalina	Miscellaneous		Unknown	W. 4.1	Lotals
North Jersey.	FF	eF	FF	eF	FF	eF	FF	eF	FF	l eF	FF	l eF	FF	eF
Bergen,	2	15						2		ĺ		1		
Morris,	6	9		1	2	1	6	6	2	1	11	13	27	
Passaic,	3	14		1	1		1	4			I	I		
Somerset,		1	1	1	3		I	i		I	2	8	7	12
Sussex,	13	13		2	ı	1	1	2	2	3	5	4		100
Warren,	1	5				1		1		I	I	4		
Totals,	25	57	1	5	7	3	9	16	4	6	20	31	66	118
Atlantic,	23	32	9	1 2	4	3	1	I	5	1	24	10	66	49
Burlington,	9	5	2		1	4	2		2	1	10	7	35	1
Camden,	10	29	-2	4	2	- 4	22.7	200		2	9	7	23	
Cape May,	19	40		3				110		1.5	3	5		
Cumberland,	I	3	1	5		1		335	5		16	3		
Gloucester,	2		4		T		1	800		000	4		12	
Mercer	+++			001				715	1					
Middlesex,	1	2	2	2	- 6	3	1		1	I	4	7	15	
Monmouth,	1	4	1	1	3		I	1	1	1	6	2		
Ocean,	6	37	1		4	2	1	I	1	3	10	8		
Salem,	117		14.0	1.5		1	500		1	I		20.	I	2
Fires than burned in more than one														
county,			2	+++			+++			***	T	***	3	
Totals,	72	152	24	17	21	18	7	3	16	TO	105	49	245	249
State totals	97	209	25	22	28	21	16	19	20	16	125	80	311	367
Per cent. of total.	-	45		7		7		- 5	-	6	-	30		-

FF-Forest Fires.

eF-Embryo Fires; (less than 5 acres).

#### SMOKERS' FIRES.

A hopeful fact is the increased proportion of fires fixed on this source. There can be no doubt that, next to the railroads, smokers create the greatest fire menace to our woodlands because they are the most difficult to control. That the wardens have this year fixed double the number of fires upon this agency that they did in 1912 strengthens the belief that promptness and persistence are telling.

## SPORTSMEN'S FIRES.

Each year with the advent of the open seasons for fish and game, a series of fires begins for which sportsmen are responsible. Whether they be fishermen or gunners, they, like the smokers, are most difficult to apprehend, both because they themselves are transients and because the regions into which their pursuit takes them are unpeopled and remote. Although fires from this cause have not been isolated in the published records heretofore there has been an annual increase in the number known to have so originated. Intentional responsibility is not charged in this connection; indeed, the sportsman's interest demands unburned woodland. The excitement of the sport and a failure to appreciate the significance of a spark are generally to blame for such fires. Control of these fires depends upon the development of a higher sense of responsibility among the sportsmen.

#### MISCELLANEOUS FIRES.

Year by year a small proportion of the fires, smaller this year than last, arises from causes too varied to deserve special consideration. Of these the huckleberry pickers cause most and are most difficult to control. Children at play also cause a number of fires. Especial effort is being made to reduce this danger through the schools, the Boy Scout Movement and other channels.

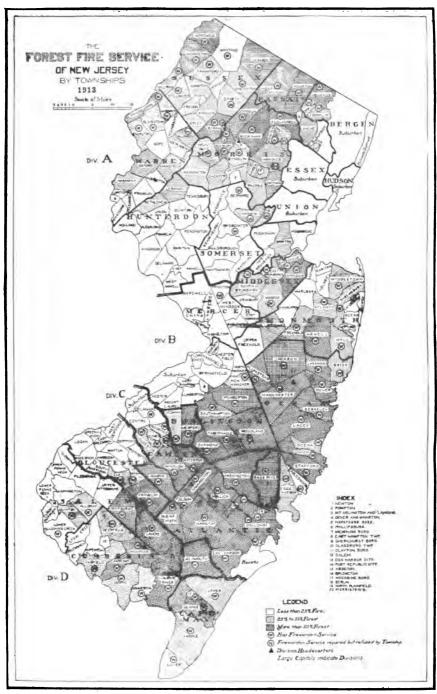


Fig. 35: The State, Showing Forests and Where Forest Fire Service is Maintained.

TABLE V.—THE RELATION OF THE PRINCIPAL RAILROADS OF THE STATE TO FOREST FIRES, 1913.

	1	Num	ber of	Claims	rresented	Proport	ion
	l	Fires Ch	argeable		ount 1913	of	
İ	es	in 191		F	ires	Respon	sibility
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i	<u>.</u> <u> </u>	i				fires	fires use.
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		Z	each	5	Ī	cent.	cent. om ev
-	S	78	o to	ם	mount	o ši	
	Forest	Total Number	Per each Forest	Number	Ħ	Per cen caused	Per fr
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<	<del></del> ;	
Atlantic City,	157	135	8.5		\$711.01		19.9
D. L. & W.,	52	10	1.9	, 7	46.50	3	1.5
Erie,	32	. 2	.6			]	• 3
Lehigh & Hudson	4	\$ 1		1	6.00	• • • • •	. 1
Lehigh & New E.	4	`§6		2	4.00		.9
N. J. Central	202	56	2.8	44	526.80	18	8.3 8.6
N. Y. S. & W	29	58 26	20.	40	260.00		0.0
Pennsylvania Raritan River	310	20	.8 .8	15	93.30	, -,	3.8
Tuckerton	13 38	10			7.00		. 1 1.5
I UCKCI (OII	30	10	2.7	\ <u>'</u>	85.25	3	1.5
Totals	†841	*305		219	\$1739.86		45.

- † Does not represent the entire R. R. forest exposure of the State.
- \* One additional fire charged to the Wharton and Northern R. R., but with no basis for claim.
- § Not on own right-of-way, but while running over track of another railroad.

#### THE FOREST FIRE SERVICE.

In consequence of the considerable increase in the number of firewardens, and in the territory covered, which took place when the service was reorganized in 1911 and 1912, the growth in 1913 has been largely through internal development. Only one township has been added to the list of those covered by the Fire Service, that of Pleasantville, Atlantic County. In numbers the enlisted force has been slightly increased, there being now 112 township wardens and 157 district and deputy wardens, with the same three fire watchers that have served for several years past.

The distinct improvement in the organization is due largely to the increased stability of the personnel and to the readier accessibility of the wardens, both in times of fire and for the issuance of brush burning permits. In the force this season there were but 45 new appointees, a great gain in this respect over past years. This means on the one hand that many of the men find the work worth while and are willing to continue in it; and on the other that they have been tried and found capable. The larger number of changes made were effected to secure for the wardenship men who lived on telephone lines. Despite poor facilities in most of the larger forest areas, over 50 per cent of those serving can now be reached by telephone. This course has still further added to the effectiveness of the local organization by inducing increased promptness in reaching fires. In many instances, the telephone has also curtailed expense by preventing the assembling of needlessly large forces at small fires, or the attendance of several wardens at one fire.

TABLE VI.—SUMMARY OF FOREST FIRE BUSINESS 1913 WITH SOME COMPARATIVE FIGURES FROM TWO YEARS PRECEDING.

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·	Rece	eived	ially	tion		ırdens		Indiv	idual	ı	D-:	lroad	
Year of Fires.	Fires	Fires ‡	es Spec ated	es Violation	rnships	Firewardens	Cot Tr			lo rial		aims	
	Forest Fi	Embryo F	Total Cases Specially Investigated	Total Cases Fixed	Total Townships Covered	Total No.	Settled	Pending	Settled	Pending	Settled	Pending	Dropped
1911	309	239	206	237	100	228	3		• • • •		.1	9	5
1912	214	331	133	235	111	261	1	§2	7		68	44	14
1913	311	361	96	348	113	269		2	63	24	90	129	40
					Т	otals	4	4	70	24	159	¶ 182	*59

<sup>§</sup> Both of these cases are awaiting appeal.

<sup>\* 5</sup> cases dropped for lack of evidence; 8 cases in which offenders left the State and have not returned; 46 cases in which R. R. claims were not made because the township bills of costs were too tardy to permit their presentation.

All but 37 of these were settled before March 1, 1914.

<sup>†</sup> See also Tables VIII and IX.

<sup>‡</sup> Burned less than 5 acres.



Fig. 36: A Match Dropped Beside This Road At a Dry Time Would Almost Surely Cause a Fire.



Fig. 37: The Danger is Greatly Lessened by Roadside Clearing, As Here.

OUR FORESTS ARE FIRED AND BURN FIERCELY BECAUSE THEY ARE
SO LARGELY IN THE BRUSH STAGE. CLEARING THE ROADS WILL DO MUCH TO PREVENT FIRES AND TO CONTROL THEM.

With a far larger volume of responsibility fixed, the cases have been much fewer in which unsatisfactory preliminary preparation of the matter by the local wardens has demanded further investigation. This and the use of motor vehicles have enabled the division wardens to give personal attention to most of the more dangerous fires and to assist more effectively in enforcing a strict observance of the fire law. A summary of the year's activities is given in Table VI, which shows improvement in every respect over the records of previous years.

# WARDENS' CONFERENCES.

In the late winter and early spring a new step in developing the local fire service was taken by calling a conference of local firewardens in each of the divisions. Despite uniformally bad weather, these four meetings brought out a large attendance and awakened an interest among the firewardens far beyond that anticipated. The value of these gatherings is measured by increased personal activity among the wardens, by firmer and more widespread co-operation between neighboring wardens, by closer attention to detail in investigating and reporting fires, and by a more thorough appreciation of the larger problems in the solution of which each local service plays its part. The result has been a more effective, independent and publicly recognized organization than we have ever had.

TABLE VII.—FOREST FIRES BY COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS, 1913.

	' Num	ber				<del></del>	Paid by	†
County and Township.	Forest Fires	Embryo Fires	Acres Burned	Loss to Forests and Other Property	Cost to Extinguish	Township	State	Offenders
Atlantic County— Absecon (City), Buena Vista, Egg Harbor, Egg Harbor (City) Folsom, Galloway, Hamilton, Hammonton, Mullica, Pleasantville,	19 12  11 10 6	12 2  11 1 2 6	880  1660 11178 495	572 805  1195 9300 330	152.18 18.00 239.85 541.65 92.41 194.03	\$ 32.87 64.60 3.50  102.80 185.69 39.71	64.58 3.50 102.80 185.71	5.00 16.00 44.25 175.25 13.00
Port Republic, Weymouth, Total,	 8	13	6106	8313	348.26	43·53  \$ 538.77		
Bergen County— Franklin, Hohokus, Oakland (Boro.) Ridgefield (Boro.) Total,	2 	1 17	16		6.00 51.20	3.00	15.45	20.30
Burlington County— Bass River, Evesham, Medford, New Hanover, Pemberton, Shamong, Southampton, Tabernacle, Washington,	1 5 6 2 3 III I 2 4	2 I I 4	1075 595 137 45 300	350 460 310 45 595	166.10 39.75 180.10 31.00 66.65 490.86	83.05 14.38 90.07 15.50 27.38 80.72 26.80 28.98	83.05 14.37 90.03 15.50 27.37 80.74 26.80 28.97	21.90 329.40
Woodland, Total,	41		7667	1345 \$10850		97·35 \$ 493·93		
Camden County— Berlin,	3  4 12	3 1 5 1 	70  256  205 634	30 135 200 400	16.90 27.75 9.00 53.00  40.60 221.90	8.45 5.50 18.74 16.17	8.45 5.50 18.76 16.18 35.43	16.75 49.00 15.50 5.00 8.25

TABLE VII.—FOREST FIRES BY COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS, 1913—Continued.

	Numb	er					Paid by	†
County and Township.		Embryo Fires	Acres Burned	Loss to Forests and Other Property	Cost to Extinguish	Township	State	Offenders
Cape May County— Dennis, Lower, Middle, Upper,	4	5 16 23	1580	\$ 1922 35 1550 280	\$ 79.60 59.25 265.90	21.50 53.12	21.50 53.13	34.25 159.65
Woodbine (Boro.) Total,		48	373		75.40 		<u></u>	\$ 320.10
Cumberland County- Commercial,								
Deerfield, Downe, Fairfield, Landis,	I . 2 I . 2 . 7	2 3 I	150 145 50 45 300	140 130 50	20.00 34.62 17.00	10.00 11.31 8.50	10.00 11.31 8.50	12.00
Lawrence, Maurice River, Millville (City), .	10	3 2 3	200		40.40 9.00	16.83 4.50	16.82 4.50	6.75 5.00
Total, Gloucester County—	24	14	1995	\$ 1975	\$ 347.37	\$ 147.49	\$ 147.48	\$ 32.00
Clayton (Boro.) Elk, Franklin, Monroe,	4		25  950 1361	1375	63.80	26.85	26.85	
Total,	14	I	2336	\$ 3075	\$ 273.10	\$ 113.09	\$ 113.11	\$ 48.90
Mercer County— Princeton,	<u>  </u>			<u> </u>				
Total,  Middlesex County—.  East Brunswick,			312	235	50.25	21.62	21.63	30.00
Madison, Monroe, Sayreville, South Brunswick,	3	4 1 6 3	335 	335 5 80	167.30	83.65 3.00 40.34	83.65 3.00 40.36	7.00
Total,	15	15	811	\$ 655	\$ 336.65	\$ 156.81	\$ 156.84	\$ 46.00
Monmouth County— Atlantic, Freehold, Howell, Middletown, Shrewsbury, Wall,	7	 8 	35 322  143 2214	55 425 	180.45	46.63	46.62	
Total,	11-	ا <u></u> او		( <u> </u>	<u> </u>	·	\$ 139.05	

TABLE VII.—FOREST FIRES BY COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS, 1913—Continued.

	Num	ber			-				1	Paid by	t
County and Township.	Forest Fires	Embryo Fires	Acres Burned	Loss to Forests and Other Property		Cost to		Township		State	Offenders
Morris County							T				
Boonton,	۱ '	1	'	}	\$	4.5	٠,١,	2.25		2.25	
Hanover,	2	10	47	\$ 67		105.1		49.05	7	49.05	
Jefferson,	2	3	23	51	ı	39.2		19.60			φ 7.00
Montville,	2	3	75	55	ı	1.8		.90	ŀ	.90	
Mt. Arlington,			/3			1.0	,	.90	ı	.90	
Mt. Olive,	i	1	40	55	١.	17.0		3.50	٠.	3.50	10.00
Pequannock,	5	6	238	505	1	106.1		25.00		25.00	56.15
Randolph,	1	2	20	20	ł	20.8		10.40		10.40	
Rockaway,	10	6	288	273	١	143.3		71.65	1	71.65	10.00
Roxbury,	4	I	145	135	1	20.3		10.62	1	10.63	
,				-33	<u> </u> _		-1-		<u> </u> _	10.03	
Total,	27	31	876	\$ 1161	\$	450.7	70	192.97	\$	192.98	\$ 83.15
Ocean County				<b>!</b>	١		- 1		ł		}
	ا ا		1006	1100	1		ا.	45 05	1	45 05	
Berkeley,	3	2 I				94.1 26.6		45.05	1	45.05	
Brick,	3		75	90	,			13.30	ı	13.30	
Dover, Eagleswood,	3	I	1115	2327	١.	171.1		85.55	1	85.55	
	2	7	25	50		50.7		14.30	l	14.30	22.15
Jackson,		8	240 8004	140 9215		20.7		10.37	1	10.38	
Lacey, Lakewood,	5	1 -		820		140.8		41.00		41.00	
Little Egg Harbor,	3	2	532	020	1	16.7	۷١	80.85	ı	<b>80.</b> 85	
Manchester,					1.		::	58.70	•	58.70	
Ocean,	3	27 I	1770			241.0					
Plumstead,	i	-	150			17.4		6.50	ı	6.50 2.50	
	1	1	15					~			
Stafford,	6	:	59			60.5		7.00		7.00	
Union,	(	[]	325	í——	[-	193.4		69.52	<b>-</b>	69.53	[
Total,	35	51	13306	\$17587	\$	1182.6	55	\$ 432.14	\$	434.66	\$ 343.85
Passaic County—	1	1	1	1	1		- 1		1		l
Pompton,	1	1 7	30	30	1	27.0	00	13.50	1	13.50	
West Milford,	5	13	195	195	1	147.5	50	21.92	1	21.93	103.65
Total,	6	20	225	\$ 225	[- \$	174.	-	\$ 35.42	8	35.43	\$ 103.6
•			3	3	1	-/4.		7 33-7-	ľ	55.45	
Salem County—	1	1	1	1	1				l		1
Alloway,	1	:::	<b> </b>	1	1.	• • • • • •	•••		١.	• • • • • •	1
L'r Alloways Creek			\ · · · · ·	· · · · · ·	1.	• • • • •	• •	· · · · · · · ·	١.	• • • • • • •	
Pittsgrove,					١.	22	:	** 62	١.	11.62	
Quinton,	} '	2	35	15	!	23.2	25	11.63	l_	11.02	
Total,	1	2	35	\$ 15	\$	23.	25	\$ 11.63	\$	11.62	
Somerset County-	1						-				
Bernard,	] 1			10	1	30.0		7.50		7.50	
Bridgewater,	{	5			1	27.		12.45		12.45	
North Plainfield,	5				)	67.		29.40		29.40	
Warren,	) 1	] 1	] 8	5	;	25.0	00	12.50	1	12.50	
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Total,	1 7	13	289	\$ 145	519	150.	20	\$ 61.85	1\$	61.85	\$ 26.50

TABLE VII.—FOREST FIRES BY COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS, 1913—Continued.

	Nun	nber					Paid by	†
County and Township.	Forest Fires	Embryo Fires	Acres Burned	Loss to Forests and Other Property	Cost to Extinguish	Township	State	Offenders
Sussex County-					ĺ			
Byram,	4	] 1	65	\$ 40	\$ 29.50	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 17.50
Frankford, Hardyston,		15	695	519	128.20	10.87	10.88	106.45
Hopatcong,		-3			6.30			6.30
Montague,	• • • •	1			6.50	3.25	3.25	
Sandyston,	· · · ·     4	2			59.60	15.30	15.30	29.00
Stillwater,		2		10	, 02			29.00
Vernon,	4		340	485	55.85			
	• • • •	1			6.00			
Wantage,	• • • • •	1			2.15	1.07	1.08	• • • • • • • •
Total,	22	25	1206	\$ 1164	\$ 310.10	\$ 75.42	\$ 75.43	\$ 169.25
Warren County-								
Allamuchy,		]	<b>.</b>				<b></b>	
Blairstown,	• • • • ,	1		10				
Hardwick, Knowlton,	• • • •	. 8	7	10				14.00
Pahaquarry	I							
Total,	 2	—    12	37	<b>\$</b> 80	\$ 55.00	\$ 18.50	\$ 18.50	\$ 18.00
State Total	*326	368			\$7628.07	\$2631.40	<b>\$26</b> 31.45	<b>\$26</b> 35.11‡

<sup>\*</sup> This total is greater than the actual number (311) because 15 fires burned in two or more townships at once.

## VIOLATIONS OF LAW.

Of all fires reported, 45 per cent have been fixed as violations of the law, a proportion, equal to that of last year, despite the increased number of the fires. The specific distribution and disposition of these cases is fully shown in Tables VIII, IX, X, XI and XII. Attention is directed particularly to the fact that

<sup>†</sup> The sum of these columns often differs from the corresponding "Cost to Extinguish" item because a fine was larger than the bill, or a bill was withdrawn, etc.

<sup>‡</sup> This total is greater than the year's collection (\$1538.67) because all violation cases are not yet settled.

65 per cent of all 1913 violations have been settled within the year, a larger percentage than has ever been shown heretofore, and to the fact that there remain so few unsettled cases from the two preceding years. All but three of these last are of railroad origin, the settlement of which is expected soon.

The recorded number of purely technical violations of the law,—such as illegal backfiring or brush burning without a permit though the fire did not escape,—has increased from seven in 1912 to thirteen this year. This indicates, not that the number of such offenses has grown but, that the wardens are more active in discovering them and less inclined to ignore them when known. This promises for the future less needless burning and, therefore, fewer opportunities for the escape of fire.

In most cases the penalty imposed is a fine ranging from a nominal sum to fifty dollars. Only occasionally is it necessary to resort to prosecution. There is the best of feeling between public officials and the fire service. One vagrant who made and was careless with a camp fire was jailed by the local authorities through the activity of the local warden. In other instances local police authorities have called upon the Fire Service for help. A county prosecutor willingly undertook to prosecute one aggravated case and to secure a prison penalty, which cannot be done under the Forest Fire Law. These instances are cited, not because of their individual importance but because they are indicative of the public interest in forest fire control and of confidence in the work of the Fire Service.

A study of Tables X, XI and XII will indicate that the violators are leniently dealt with. That is in accord with the policy of the Forest Commission because most violations are unintentional and because the results sought are not punitive but corrective. The total amount of the penalties collected for the year was \$1,538.67. Of this \$1,149.02 was paid by railroads and \$389.65 by other agencies. See note, p. 8.





Fig. 38. Two Kinds of Lookouts. Fig 39.



FIG. 40: READY FOR A FIRE CALL.



Fig. 41: A RAILROAD FIRE LINE. WHEN KEPT CLEAR LIKE THIS, IT EFFECTIVELY PROTECTS THE ADJOINING FOREST.

MEANS TO CONTROL FOREST FIRES.

TABLE VIII.—VIOLATIONS OF THE FOREST FIRE LAW HANDLED IN 1913: STATUS OCTOBER 31, 1913.

4161	† Additional Cases Settled between Nov. 1 and Mar. 1	132	01		146
	Offender Out of Jurisdiction		8	# :	4
	Dropped	*36	:	es H	40
1913 Cases.	Settled	06	49	0 0	150
191	Pending	129	. 50	u rv	156
	slatoT	255	72	13.8	+350
ver.	Offender Out noitsibairul lo		ı		H
1912 Cases Carried Over.	Dropped	13			13
ses Car	Settled	89	S	: "	7.5
912 Ca	Pending	44	8		47
	zistoT	125	6	: 81	136
1911 Cases Carried Over.	Offender Out	:	8	: :	3
rried	Dropped	61	:	: :	2
g s	Settled	_	<b>m</b>	: :	14
Cas	Pending	0	:	<u>:</u> :	ΰ
1161	Totals	12	9	: :	18
	Kind of Violation.	Railroad,	Brush Burning,	Smokers,	Totals,

\* In every case claim was forfeited because the Township bill of expense w as received too late.

Includes 39 Technical Violations of the backfiring and brush burning laws from which no forest fire resulted.

‡ The official year closes October 31.

VARIOUS RAILROADS ON ACCOUNT OF FOREST FIRES, 1913. TABLE IX.—SUMMARY OF CLAIMS AGAINST THE

	i 1		, : : : : 54, : :	<u>-</u>
	b0	Totals	:::: ::	
	nding 1914	1913 Cases	2	37
nt *	Still Pending Mar. 1, 1914	1912 Cases		
Supplement	Sti Ma	1911 Cases		132'
Supp	ince 13	Totals		1
	llements Sinc Nov. 1, 1913	1913 Cases	31 2 2 2 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	80
	Settlements Since Nov. 1, 1913	1912 Cases	4 4 4 72	47
	Set	rgii Cases	0, 44 0 1	٧
		Dropped		51
	Total Cases Handled	Settled	115	159
	Total	Pending	35 1 2 4 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	182
	Case	Potals	170 110 117 117 117 117 117	302
		Dropped	0 4 4 8 7 8	36
Disposition of Claims in 1913.	1913 Cases	Settled	60 61	93
ıs in	913 (	Pending	88 . 4 4 2 1 . E	126
Clain		Totals	118 9 3 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 7 7	255
jo 1	ы	Dropped	40 4	13
sition	Cases	Settled	94	. 68
Dispo	1912 Cases Carried Over	Pending	4 4 4 78	43
	ا ت "	Potals	200	124
		Dropped	: : : : : : : : H 4 : :	3
	ases	Settled		I
	1911 Cases Carried Over	Pending	9	9
	" చొ	Totals		12
	i.	RAILROAD.	Atlantic City, D. L. & W., Erie, Lehigh & Hudson, Lehigh & New Eng., N. J. Central, N. Y. S. & W., Pennsylvania, Raritan River, Tuckerton,	Totals,

\* The official year closes on October 31. This section therefore is not strictly a part of this report. ed by Google.

# FEDERAL FIRE PATROL.

The aid furnished by the Federal Government is one of the most valuable that the Fire Service enjoys. Under the co-operative agreement first entered into in 1911 the State's efforts are recognized and \$2,000 a year allotted for the execution of the so-called Weeks Law. That law seeks to protect the watersheds of navigable streams and, as interpreted, applies in New Jersey only to the northern rivers. Under the agreement the money appropriated can be used only to pay lookouts and patrolmen in that section.

The first thoroughly equipped and continuous forest fire lookout in the State was installed this season under this agreement
and through the generous co-operation of the Board of Street
and Water Commissioners of Newark. A high tower already
standing on the city's property on Bearfort Mountain was provided by the Commissioners with telephone connection and a
suitable house for the watcher's headquarters. Since the facilities became available, in the middle of June, a watcher has been
on constant duty. With good binoculars, a detailed map of the
territory which the tower commands and a thorough knowledge
of the location of, and means of reaching, the local wardens
promptly, the watcher has not failed to announce every fire that
has occurred within his range.

Patrol work in the spring and summer was limited to two men who covered areas of peculiar hazard, doing the work by saddle horse or driving because of their extended territories. The entire absence of fires of size within the patrolled areas, and the almost negligible number of fires of any kind within these territories evidence the value of the work. With the opening of the gunning season on October 10, the force of patrolmen was increased to fourteen. Their routes covered the bulk of the territory traversed by gunners and their activities practically eliminated fires. The work done along this line for three years past has counted for more than the actual fire control afforded in that it has convinced the public that forest protection does protect. Without patrol the same result undoubtedly would have been reached, but far more slowly and at the cost of many an additional acre burned.

# RAILROAD FIRE LINES.

With the decision which nullified the fireline law, see p. 7, all effort to continue fireline construction ceased. But since most of the firelines made or maintained during the past three years are the result of voluntary co-operation of a railroad with the property owners there is hope that firelines as an aid to fire control will not be given up. Hearty and willing co-operation is offered by the Fire Service to the extent of its powers.

#### PUBLICITY.

Recognizing the fact that the ultimate control of forest fires depends upon personal care in handling fire, a special effort has been made to reach the public upon whom the burden lies. In addition to the Fire Manual, List of Firewardens and Township fire notices, published annually, there have been issued five other publications of general or specific application, see p. 41. These have been thoroughly distributed by both public and private agencies. Increased co-operation has been sought from the press and universal willingness to aid has been found.

TABLE X.—VIOLATIONS OF THE FOREST FIRE LAW, 1913.

DATE	COUNTY	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	P. OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
	Atlantic County	County-			
April 4,	Absecon,	1,			Pending, claim submitted.
Jan. 31,	Buena	Vista,	New Jersey Central R. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
Feb. 12,	Buena		R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
March 2,	Buena	Vista,	R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Claim withdrawn.
March 6,	Buena	Vista,	ania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
March 9,	Buena	Vista, Atlantic	City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	
April 1,	Buena	Vista, Atlantic	City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$8.00.
April 1,	Buena	Vista & Hamilton Atlantic	City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 2,	Buena	Vista,	City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00.
April 2,	Buena	Vista,	City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
April 4,	Buena	Vista,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	_
April 4,	Buena	Vista,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	_
April 4,		Vista,	R. R.,	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
April 9,	Buena	Vista,	R. R.,	-:	
April 9,	Buena	Vista,	R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive, .:	Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.50.
April 19,	Buena	Vista,	City R. R.,		
April 20,	Buena	Vista,	Atlantic City R. R.,	:::::	
	Buena	Vista,	Atlantic City R. R.,	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	Pending, claim submitted.
May 3,	Buena	Vista,	Frank Tireani,	Set fire without permit and al-	
Most 8	Buens Viets	Viets	Andrew Riccohi	lowed it to escape,	Pending.
	anono.	, 191gr		-	Pending.
May 11,	Buena	Vista,	Buena Vista, Juilano Loro, Set fire without permit and	al	ì
				lowed it to escape, Pending.	Pending.
May 29,	Buena	Vista,	Buena Vista, New Jersey Central R. R., Buena Vista	Fire set by locomotive, Pending, Fire set by locomotive.	Pending, claim submitted.
Sept. 15,	Buena	Vista,	, <del>Z</del>	Fire set by locomotive, Pending.	
June 11,	Egg Harbor,		:	Allowed brush fire to escape, Paid fine, \$5.00.	Paid fine, \$5.00.
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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OPPENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
April 2	Atlantic Co.—Cont'd.  Ege Harbor City.	A	Fire set by locomotive.	Pending, claim submitted.
March 9	Galloway.	<u>م</u>	:	
March 25,	:	R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	
April 2,		В,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 6,	Galloway,	:	Dropped lighted match,	Pending, fled jurisdiction.
April 9,	Galloway,	R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
April 22,	Galloway,	 .:	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 8,	Galloway,	. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 12,	Galloway,	:::		Paid fine, \$10.00.
June 1,	Galloway,			Pending, claim submitted.
June 5,		Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
August 2,		R.,	:	
Sept. 10,		R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 4,	Hamilton,	R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 21,	Hamilton,	:	Allowed brush fire to escape,	Released with warning.
May 1,	Hamilton,	:	Set fire without permit, Paid fine, \$5.00.	Paid fine, \$5.00.
May 3,	Hamilton,	James Skinner,		Paid fine, \$38.50.
May 10,	Hamilton,	:	Set fire without permit and al-	
		•	lowed fire to escape, Dropped, insufficient evidence.	Dropped, insufficient evidence.
May 10,	Hamilton & Mullica,   Joseph Stephenson,	:	Fire started from defective	
			camp stove,	
May 12,	Hamilton,	Henry Oeltzenbruns, Dietrich Oeltzenbruns and		
		Ernest Werner,	Ernest Werner, Maliciously set fire, Prosecution pending.	Prosecution pending.
May 12,	Hamilton,	Paul Pirke,	ly threw away	:
		A	match, Pending.	Pending.
March 9,	Mullica,	W. T. Weeks,	Action to City K. K.,, Fire set by locomotive, Fending, claim submitted.  W. T. Weeks,	rending, ciaim submitted. Dropped, insufficient evidence.

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
March 25,	Atlantic Co.—Cont'd. Mullica,	ont'd. Atlantic City R. R., Fi	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill. \$3.00.
March 26,	•	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$10.00.
April 1,	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 9,	:	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$24.40.
April 10,	Mullica,	City R. R.,	re set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
March 24,	Weymouth, Atlantic	R.,	re set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.35.
April 1,	Weymouth, Atlantic City R.	R.,	re set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 4,	Weymouth & Hamilton,	R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 9,	Weymouth,	R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 19,	Weymouth,	:	Allowed brush fire to escape,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$0.60.
April 22,	:	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 1,	Weymouth,		-	Pending, claim submitted.
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. Nov. 11, 1912,	:	S. & W. I	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
Feb. 19,		S. & W. I	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
March 19,		S. & W. I	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
March 19,		S. & W. I	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 21,		N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Township presented no bill.
April 21,	:	S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 27,	:	S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 3,	Oakland,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.80.
	Burlington County—			•
Dec. 21, 1912	:	Smith cramer,	Smith cramer, Caused fire by careless smoking. Dropped, insufficient evidence.	Dropped, insufficient evidence.
March 24,		Hanover Farms Co,	Sparks from sawmill caused fire, Pending.	Pending.
May 3,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	Pennsylvania R. R.,   Fire set by locomotive,   Dropped, township bill too tardy.	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
June 29,		Isaiah Haines,	scape,	Paid fine, \$10.00.
July 22,	1,	Pennsylvania R. R., Fire set by locomotive,		Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 8,		New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 11,	Shamong,	New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OPPENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
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uly 19,	:	New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	
uly 21,	:	New Jersey Central R. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	claim
22,	:	New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
uly 22,	Shamong,	New Jersey Central R. R	Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
uly 23,	Shamong,	New Jersey Central R. R	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
uly 25,	Shamong,	New Jersey Central R. R	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 19,	Tabernacle,	New Jersey Central R. R.,	Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
May 12,	Tabernacle,	Miller,	Set fire by lighted match,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
April 19,	•	New Jersey Central R. R. Fire set by locomotive,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
May 13,		Enterprise White Clay Co.   Set fire without permit,	Set fire without permit,	Pending.
June 17,	:	Wm. Taylor,	:	Pending.
	nty-			
April 4,	Berlin,	Elias Tochterman,	Elias Tochterman, Set fire without permit and al	
			lowed it to escape,	Pending.
Feb. 16,	Clementon,	:		Released with warning.
March 25,	Clementon,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Daid firewarden's bill, \$12.75.
April 26,	Clementon,	:	Allowed brush fire to escape,	Pending.
March 9,		:		Pending, claim submitted.
March		Tesse Anderson,	Set fire without permit,	Paid fine, \$10.00.
March		:		Paid fine, \$10.00.
April	•	:		Paid fine, \$10.00.
April	••••••	:	:	Paid fine, \$10.00.
April 1,		R.,	:	Pending, claim submitted.
22,	:	:	Allowed brush fire to escape,	Released with warning.
April 27,		 ::		Pending, claim submitted.
March 23,		:	Set fire without permit,	Paid fine, \$5.00.
une 16,			scape,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$8.25.
Jan. 31,		R.	:	Pending, claim submitted.
Feb. 1,	Winslow,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted,

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OFFENSE,	Fire set by locomotive,  Fire set by locomotive,  Fire set by locomotive,  Fire set by locomotive,  Allowed brush fire to escape,  Fire set by locomotive,	Tire set by locomotive,  Tire set by locomotive,  Set fire without permit,  Set fire without permit,
OFFENDER.	CGty R. R. CGty R. R.	Atlantic City R. R., Atlantic City R. R., Ralnh Caputo, N. Salozza,
COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	Winslow, Win	Winslow, Winslow, Winslow, Winslow,
DATE.	Feb. 18,  March 2,  March 12,  March 17,  March 21,  March 25,  March 26,  April 26,  Ap	July 30, Aug. 2, Aug. 4,

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
	Cape May County—	i		
March 5,	Dennis,	-	set by	firewarden's
March 19,	Dennis,	ī.,	Fire set by locomotive,	firewarden's
March 29,	Dennis,	-	set by	firewarden's bill,
April 1,	Dennis,	ī.,	set by	bill, 9
April 1,	Dennis,	-		Paid firewarden's bill, \$13.55.
April 20,	Dennis,	Atlantic City R. R.,	set by	mitte
Feb. 10,		Atlantic City R. R.,	set by	Pending, claim submitted.
Feb. 18,	Lower,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	þ	
March 28,	Lower,	_	þ	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
March 28,	Lower,	-	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 1,	Lower,		ģ	
April 1,	Lower,	ď	ģ	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 2,	Lower,	괃	þ	_
April 2,	Lower,		Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township
April 7,		City R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
April 7,		City R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 7,	Lower,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 8,	Lower,	Lewis Pierson,	Set fire without permit,	Paid fine, \$25.00.
April 19,	Lower,	R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
Dec. 31, 1912 .	Middle,	nania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
Jan. 3,	Middle,	_	þ	-
Feb. 25,	Middle,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
March 2,	Middle,	_	ģ	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
March 3,	Middle,	-	þ	firewarden's bill,
March 7,	Middle,	Atlantic City R. R.,	þ	_
March 12,	Middle,		Fire set by locomotive,	firewarden's bill,
March 19,	Middle,	Atlantic City R. R.,	set by ]	firewarden's bill,
	Middle,	Atlantic City R. R.,	à.	firewarden's bill,
March 23,	(ample)	Atlantic City K. K.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Faid nrewarden's bill, \$8.00.

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP,	· OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.	
	Cape May Co.—Cont'd.	1	Cinc and be locamonics	1.7	
March 29,				raid nrewarden's Dill, \$2.00.	
March 30,		4 6	:	Faid hrewarden's bill, \$6.00.	
March 30,		City R.	:	Dropped, township bill too tardy.	1
March 30,		City R.	:	Dropped, township bill too tardy.	. Т
April 1,		City R.	:	Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00.	1
April 1,		City R.	ocomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$15.75.	Ľ
April 1,	Middle,	City R.	locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$9.00.	vv
April 1,	Middle,	City R.	ocomotive,	bill,	Λ
April 2,	Middle,	Atlantic City R. R.,	locomotive,	bill,	.11
April 20,	Middle,	City R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.	ע
May 2,		City R.	:	Pending, claim submitted.	٠.
May 4,		City R.	e set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.	T.A.
May 8,		City R. R.,	e set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.	S
May 10,		Richard Baird,	fire without permit and al-		.1
			wed it to escape,	Pending.	Ľ
May 11,	Middle,	R. R.,	:	Pending, claim submitted.	
May 12,	Middle,	ınia R. R.,	:	Pending, claim submitted.	$\mathbf{c}$
June 14,	Middle,	R. R.,	by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.	11
June 18,		City R. R.,	:	Pending, claim submitted.	٠.
March 22,	Upper,		by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.00.	
April 1,		Atlantic City R. R.,	þ	77.	
April 8,		Atlantic City R. R.,	set by		
April 8,		Atlantic City R. R.,	set by	bill,	
April 9,		Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,		
April 19,			þ	Paid firewarden's bill, \$9.00.	
May 9,			by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.	
May 11,		Atlantic City R. R.,		Dropped, township bill too tardy.	
March 12,		man,		Pending.	,
March 12,	Woodbine,	Joe May,	Set fire without permit,	Pending.	/ر

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
April 4,	Ü	Benjamin Rassas,	mberland County— Deerfield. Set fire without permit,	Released with warning.
April 9,		Charles Gaskill,	Downe,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$7.00.
May 15,		New Jersey Central R. R.,	Downe,	Pending, claim submitted.
June 16,		Harry Hubbard,	Fairfield,	Released with warning.
July 16,		C. W. Skinner,	Landis,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00.
April 26,		H. O. Newcomb,	Lawrence,	aid fine, \$25.00.
May 16,		New Jersey Central R. R., F R Sumper	Lawrence,	ending, claim submitted.
•	_	•	lowed it to escape, 3aid fine, \$5.00.	<sup>2</sup> aid fine, \$5.00.
Jan. 20,	Millville,	Jas. F. Ledbetter,	Jas. F. Ledbetter, Set fire without permit, aid fine, \$10.00.	Paid fine, \$10.00.
March 28,	Millville,	Bertram Haines, Edward		
		Hogan and Russell Ho-	Hogan and Russell Ho-Set fire without permit and al	
	•	gan,	gan,	Released with warning.
	Gloucester County-			
April 22,	Monroe,	John Warrick,	John Warrick, Allowed brush fire to escape, Pending, fled jurisdiction.	Pending, fled jurisdiction.
May 3,	Monroe,	Mrs. Jos. Slobogian,	Set hre without permit and al	: :: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
May 3,		James Green and E. A.	Monroe	Penging.
•		Garwood,	lowed it to escape, Pending.	Pending.
Мау 3,	Monroe,	Atlantic City P. R.,	Atlantic City I. R.,   Fire set by locomotive,   Paid firewarden's bill, \$18.00.	Paid firewarden's bill, \$18.00.
May 8,		Sam Lavishi,	Monroe,   Sam Lavishi,   Set fire without permit,   Paid fine, \$1.00.	Paid fine, \$1.00.
May 20,		Atlantic City R. R.,	Atlantic City R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
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March 3,		Mrs. Ernest Klopman,	East Brunswick, Mrs. Ernest Klopman, Set fire without permit, Pending, fled jurisdiction.	Pending, fled jurisdiction.
April 10,	East Brunswick, East Brunswick	Henry Kupt,	Henry Rupt, Set fire without permit, Paid fine, \$5.00. John Teski	Paid fine, \$5.00.
			lowed it to escape Paid fine, \$5.00.	Paid fine, \$5.00.
April 25,	East Brunswick,	Bernard Axel,	Bernard Axel, Set fire without permit, Oropped, insufficient evidence. William Liebnitzky. Set illegal backfire.	Dropped, insufficient evidence. Warned and released.

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
May 2, May 3, May 3,	st'd.	John Hoffman,	Set illegal backfire, Set fire without permit, Set fire without permit,	Warned and released. Sending. Paid fine, \$5.00.
June 29, May 2, April 24,	ville, Brunswick,	Rritan River R. R.,	Jet ure without permit and allowed it to escape,  Fire set by locomotive,  Allowed brush fire to escape,	Pending. Paid firewarden's bill, \$7.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00.
Nov. 4, 1912. Nov. 17, 1912. Nov. 17, 1912. Dec. 19, 1912. Dec. 15, 1912. Feb. 15, Feb. 17, May 2, May 10, Oct. 14, April 3,		Edwin Schibla, Set fire without permit,  New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,  New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,  Lewis Guarino, Set fire without permit,  Pennsylvania R. R., Fire set by locomotive,  New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,  Unknown tramp, Campfire caused fire,  George D. Megill, Set fire without permit,  New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,  C. B. Dixon, Set fire without permit,  D. L. & W. R. R. Fire set by locomotive,  D. L. & W. R. R.	Set fire without permit,  Fire set by locomotive,  Fire set by locomotive,  Set fire without permit,  Fire set by locomotive,  Campfire caused fire,  Set fire without permit,  Fire set by locomotive,  Set fire without permit,  Fire set by locomotive,  Set fire without permit,  Fire set by locomotive,	Paid fine, \$10.00.  Dropped, township bill too tardy. Paid firewarden's bill, \$7.35. Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted. Offender arrested and jailed. Paid fine, \$25.00. Pending, claim submitted. Dropped, insufficient evidence. Perding, claim submitted.
April 24, Aug. 26, April 30, April 1, April 8, April 8, April 8, April 9, April 9,	çç, çç, ç,	D. L. & W. R. R, F. L. Winterbottom, D. L. & W. R. R, N. Y. S. & W. R. R, Paul Mehalic, N. Y. S. & W. R. R, N. Y. S. & W. R. R, N. Y. S. & W. R. R,	Fire set by locomotive, Set fire without permit, Fire set by locomotive, Drapped fire along road, Fire set by locomotive, Fire set by locomotive,	Released with warning. Released with warning. Pending, claim submitted. Dropped, insufficient evidence. Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted.

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DATE.	.:	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
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April 29,	:	Kockaway,	Franklin Hill,	Set nre without permit,	Faid nne, \$10.00.
June 3,	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	Kockaway,	:	Set fire without permit,	Keleased with warning.
Dec. 15, 1	1912	Roxbury,	D. L. & R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
Dec. 16, 1	1912	Roxbury,		Set fire without permit,	Pending, fled jurisdiction.
May 7,	:	Roxbury,	D. L. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
		Ocean County—			
April 3,	:	Berkeley,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
Aug. 25, .	:	Berkeley,		Set fire without permit,	Paid fine, \$5.00.
March	•	Brick,	:	Set fire without permit,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$10.00.
June 2, .	:	Eagleswood,	:	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
July 9,	:	Eagleswood,	Fritz Neuendorf,	Berry picker caused fire,	Dropped, insufficient evidence.
July 22,	:	Eagleswood,	Tuckerton R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
July 23, .	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	Eagleswood,	Tuckerton R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.00.
July 24, .	:	Eagleswood,	Tuckerton R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00.
Nov. 12, 1912.	1912	Lacey,	New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 30,	:	Lacey,	New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 2,	:	Lacey,	. Melvin Worth, Leon		
			Worth and Paul Ditton,	•	Released with warning.
May 10,			New Jersey Central R. R.,	New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
June 11, .		Lacey,	Cedar Crest Clay Mines	Cedar Crest Clay Mines Narrow gauge locomotive caused	
			Co.,	fire,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$15.30.
June 15,	:	Lacey,	Tuckerton R. R.,   Fire set by locomotive,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$25.60.
Dec. 12, 1912.	1912	Manchester,	New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
March 6,			New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 24,	:		New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 2,			New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	claim
May 3,			New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	:	claim
May 6,	:	Manchester,	New Jersey Central R. R.,		.   Pending, claim submitted.

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Γ	Ocean Co.—Cont'd.			
:	Manchester,	New Jersey Central R. R,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 10,	Manchester,	fersey Central R.		ending, claim submitted.
:	Manchester,	fersey Central R.		claim
8,	Manchester,	New Jersey Central R. R.,		claim
:	Manchester,	lersey Central R.		claim
:	Manchester,	lersey Central R.		Pending, claim submitted.
:	Manchester,	Jersey		claim
:	Manchester,	lersey Central R.	Fire set by	claim
:	Manchester,	lersey Central R.	Fire set by	claim
61	Manchester,		Fire set by	claim
21,	Manchester,	fersey Central R.	Fire set by	claim
:	Manchester,	<b>Jersey</b>		Pending, claim submitted.
22,	Manchester,	lersey Central R.		Pending, claim submitted.
23,	Manchester,	ersey Central R.		Pending, claim submitted.
24,	Manchester,	ersey Central R.		Pending, claim submitted.
:	Manchester,	New Jersey Central R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
17,	Manchester,	fersey Central R.		Dropped, township bill too tardy
:	Manchester,			Dropped, township bill too tardy
:		New Jersey Central R. R.,		Pending.
Oct. 14,		New Jersey Central R. R.,		Pending.
	Ocean,	J. W. Horner,	Allowed brush fire to escape, .	Paid fine, \$5.00.
May 10,	Ocean,	New Jersey Central R. R.		Dropped, township bill too tardy.
:	Plumstead,	Frank Bills,		Paid fine, \$10.00.
May 20,	Plumstead,	Thomas Rahilley,		Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00.
:	Stafford,	Pennsylvania R. R.,		Pending, claim submitted.
May 3,	Stafford,	Tuckerton R. R.,		Paid firewarden's bill, \$24.00.
:	Stafford,	Tuckerton R. R.,		Pending, claim submitted.
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:	Pompton,	N. Y. S. & W. K. R.,   Fire set by locomotive, .	:	.   Dropped, township bill too tardy.

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	DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER,	OFFENSE,	SETTLEMENT.
, •	April 25	Passaic Co.—Cont'd. Pompton,	S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
_	May 3,	Pompton,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,		Dropped, township bill too tardy.
~4	Nov. 5, 1912 .	West Milford,	S. & W. R.	:	
<b>—</b> 1	Dec. 7, 1912 .	West Milford,	S. & W. R.		Paid firewarden's bill, \$9.00.
<b></b>	Dec. 10, 1912.	West Millord,	in Meyer,	Set hre to smoke out squirrels,	Pending.
	Dec. 13, 1912 March 7	West	N. Y. S. & W. B. B.	Fire set by locomotive,	raid mrewarden's 6111, \$5.00. Pendiny claim submitted
. ~	March 22,	West	Y. S. & W. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
7	April 1,	West	Y. S. & w. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$12.00.
7	April 3,	. West Milford,	Y. S. & W. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
7		West Milford,	Y. S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
1	April 19,	. West Milford,	S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
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	fuly 7,		. D. L. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	:	Pending, claim submitted.
_ '	July 13,	:	Bound Brook Water Co.,	:	firewarden's bill,
4	May 10,	leid,	. Onion Co. Investment Co. Steam roller caused nre,	:	Faid nrewarden's bill, \$8.50.
	,	Sussex County-	; ;		
<b>,</b>	March 8,	.   Byram,		Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.50.
7	April 21,	Byram,		Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
_	une 10,	.   Byram,	Kichard Groves,	t and al	:
~	May 3.	Frankford.	John Henry.	lowed it to escape,	Pending.
'				:	Released with warning.
~	Nov. 30, 1912	. Hardyston,	Y. S. & W. R.	:	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.25.
_	Dec. 14, 1912		Y. S. & W. R.	:	Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.00.
_	Dec. 14, 1912.	<u>.</u>	Y. S. & W. R.	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	Paid firewarden's bill, \$6.00.
_	Dec. 15, 1912.	_	Y. S. & W. R.		Paid firewarden's bill, \$13.65.
F	March 9,		N. Y. S. & W. R. R.	:	Sending, claim submitted.
		Hardyston,	Y. S. & W. K. K.,	:	Cending, claim submitted.
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TABLE X.—VIOLATIONS OF THE FOREST FIRE LAW, 1913—Continued.

DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT
March 9	Sussex Co.—Cont'd. Hardyston,	& W. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
March 10,		& W. R.	:	claim
March 21,		N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	:	claim
March 22,	Hardyston,	& W. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	claim
March 29,		& W. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	claım
March 29,		& W. R.	:	claim
Apřil 2,		& W. R.		claim
April 9,		& W. R.	:	claim
April 10,		N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,		<sup>5</sup> ending, claim submitted.
April 20,	Hardyston,	Albert Treloar,	:	Pending.
April 21,	Hardyston,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 20,	Hardyston,		Fire set by careless smoking,	Dending, prosecution ordered.
April 4,	:		Set fire without permit,	Released with warning.
April 5,	Hopatcong,	Hudson Maxim,	Set fire without permit,	Released with warning.
April 5,		H. C. Condit,	Set fire without permit,	Released with warning.
		New Jersey Central R. R.,		Dending, claim submitted.
April 21,		N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,		Paid firewarden's bill, \$11.00.
April 21,		N. Y. S. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	:	Paid firewarden's bill, \$8.00.
June 23,	Wallpack,	Salmon Bell, Set fire without permit,		Paid fine, \$10.00.
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Dec. 16, 1912		N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Daid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
April 8,		D. L. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Daid firewarden's bill, \$8.00.
April 25,		Lehigh & New Eng. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
A;ril 25,		Lehigh & New Eng. R. R.,	Hire set by locomotive,	pending, claim submitted.
May 9,		N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive, Daid firewarden's bill,	Daid firewarden's bill, \$1.00.
May 10,		N. Y. S. & W. R. K.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid hrewarden's bill, \$4.00.
May 20,	Pahaquarry,	George M. Dennis, Lor-		
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	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
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July 2,	Vista,	R. R.,	:	Pending, claim submitted.
July 6,	Buena Vista,	R. R.,	comotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
July 6,	Buena Vista,	R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted,
July 9,	Buena Vista,	Atlantic City R. R.,		Paid firewarden's bill. \$4.20.
Aug. 3,	Buena Vista,	R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
May 17,	Galloway,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 18,	Galloway,	R. R.,		Pending, claim submitted.
May 21,		R. R.,		Pending, claim submitted.
May 26,	_	R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	
May 27,		R. R.,		Pending, claim submitted.
May 28,	_	R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	
May 29,	Galloway,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
June 4,	Galloway,	R. R.,	locomotive	Pending, claim submitted.
June 12,	Galloway,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill. \$2.00.
June 23,	Galloway,	R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill. \$25.20.
June 30,	Galloway,	R. R.,		Pending, claim submitted.
July 4,	Galloway,	R.,	locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
July 10,	Galloway,	R.,		Pending, claim submitted.
July 11,	Galloway,	:		Paid firewarden's bill. \$2,00.
May 20,	Hammonton,	Charles Losse,	-	
	•		_	Pending, fled jurisdiction.
Sept. 11,	Hammonton,	Atlantic City R. R.,		Daid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
May 27,	Hammonton,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00.
May 31,	Hammonton,	Atlantic City R. R.,		Daid firewarden's bill, \$4.00.
June 26,	Hammonton,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Atlantic City R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.
July 4,	Hammonton,	Patriotic Order Sons of	orks at cele	!
Tulv 13.	Hammonton	Atlantic City P D	-	Paid firewarden's bill, \$6.00.
April 7,	Mullica,	, 24 , 34	Fire set by locomotive,	Fand intervarients bill, \$2.00.

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
April	Atlantic Co.—Cont'd.	4	1	
April /,	Mullica,	remsylvania K. K.,	set by	Pending, claim submitted.
April 9,	Mullica,	Atlantic City K. K.,		Paid firewarden's bill, \$9.60.
April 9,	Manifest,	Atlantic City K. K.,	set by	Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.35.
April 9,	Munica,		set by	Pending, claim submitted.
: :	Mullica,	Atlantic City K. K.,	set by	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.25.
April 11,	Mullica	Pennsylvania R. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Pand nrewarden's bill, \$8.70.
April 24,		Atlantic City R. R.	set by	Paid firewarden's bill \$1.40
April 24,		Atlantic City R. R.,	set by	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 24,	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	set by	Pending, claim submitted.
April 24,	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 24,	Mullica,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$13.30.
April 24,	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	set by	Paid firewarden's bill, \$8.60.
April 25,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
		Atlantic City R. R.,	set by	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	set	Pending, claim submitted.
May 25,	Mullica,	Atlantic City R. R.,	set by	Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.00.
	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
May 28,	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	ģ	Pending, claim submitted.
	Mullica,	Atlantic City R. R.,	ş	Paid firewarden's bill, \$6.68.
	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
June 23,	Mullica,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$6.00.
June 30,	Mullica,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$9.00.
July 8,	Mullica,		Maliciously set fire,	Prosecuted, released on appeal.
July 10,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
Aug. 10,	Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
		:	Allowed brush fire to escape,	Pending.
June 13,	Weymouth,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER,	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
June 29,	ont'd.	Atlantic City R. R., Fire set by locomotive,		Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.30.
July 4,	ž	Y. S. & W. R. R.,		Dropped, township bill too tardy.
July 24,		Y. S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
July 26,	Oakland Borough,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Fending, claim submitted.  Dronned township hill too tardy
July 26,		Y. S. & W. R. R.,		Dropped, township bill too tardy.
	Burlington County—			
June 10,	Shamong,	New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$18.95.
	:	founding.	allowed fire to escape.	Pending, on appeal.
June 23,	Tabernacle,	New Jersey Central R. R., Fire set by locomotive,	: :	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
May 4,	Woodland,	New Jersey Central R. R.,		Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
	Camden County—			
April 23,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 24,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
March 18,		ral R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
April 23,	Winslow,	R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 23,	Winslow,	انح	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
April 23,	Winslow,	انم	Fire set by locomotive,	_
May 3,	•	City Signal Signal	Fire set by locomotive,	•
May II,		C. T.	Fire set by locomotive,	
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May 27,	Winelow	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Faid frewarden's bill, \$1.00.
May 31.		2 2	Fire set by locomotive.	
June 2,		City R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.25.
June 3,	Winslow,	City R. R.,	:	
June 13,	Winslow,	Atlantic City R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.40.

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SETTLEMENT.		Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.25. Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.70. Dropped, township bill too tardy. Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.70. Paid firewarden's bill, \$9.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00.	Pending, claim submitted. Paid firewarden's bill, \$9.25. Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.20. Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$6.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$5.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.00.	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
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OFFENDER.	CC	Atlantic City R. R.,	Pennsylvania R. R., Atlantic City R. R., Pennsylvania R. R., Pennsylvania R. R., Atlantic City R. R., Chantes Garrison,	Pennsylvania R. R.,
COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	Cont'à.	County—		Franklin,
DATE.	July 1, July 7, July 8, July 8,	July 9, July 9, July 9, July 9, July 9, July 10,	April 23,, April 23,, April 23,, April 23,, Aug. 5,, June 13,, June 23,, June 7,, Aug. 30,, Sept. 10,, April 18,,	May 31,

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SETTLEMENT.	Paid firewarden's bill, \$3.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$4.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$17.00. Ind al-Paid firewarden's bill, \$17.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.30. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.30. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.60. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.25. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.25. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.25. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.25. Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.20. Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$35.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$1.00. Paid firewarden's bill, \$2.00.
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COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	Adantic, Adantic, Howell, Howell, Howell, Howell, Howell, Howell, Howell, Morris County— Boxbury, Roxbury, Roxbury, Roxbury, Roxbury, Roxbury, Manchester, Manches
DATE.	Aug. 25,  April 6,  May 3,  May 4,  June 11,  Aug. 15,  Oct. 21,  April 24,  April 24,  April 28,  May 4,  May 4,  May 5,  May 5,  July 7,  July 11,  Oct. 30,  April 9,  July 5,  July 5,

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DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
Aug. 6,	Sussex Co.—Cont'd. Hardyston, Hardyston,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R., N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive, Pending, claim submitted. N. Y. S. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive, Paid firewarden's bill, \$7.00.	Pending, claim submitted. Paid firewarden's bill, \$7.00.
April 9, April 11,	-	D. L. & W. R. R., D. L. & W. R. R., N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	Knowlton, D. L. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive, Pending, claim submitted. Knowlton, N. Y. S. & W. R. R., Fire set by locomotive, Pending, claim submitted. Knowlton,	Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted. Pending, claim submitted.

TABLE XII.—ACTION IN 1913 ON VIOLATIONS OF THE FOREST FIRE LAW, 1911.

DATE.	COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.	OFFENDER.	OFFENSE.	SETTLEMENT.
April 27.	Atlantic County-	Pennsylvania R. R.	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted,
May 23,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	:	Pending, claim submitted.
May 2,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	. Pending, claim submitted.
		Pennsylvania R. R.,	•	Pending, claim submitted.
May 25,	Hamilton,	. Vincenzo Giocolne,	lowed it to escape,	Pending, fled jurisdiction.
July 24,	. Hammonton,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	:	Pending, claim submitted.
April 29,		Pennsylvania R. R.,	:	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
May 15,	. Mullica,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	:	· Pending, claim submitted.
May 14,	. Weymouth,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
	Camden County—			
May 18,	. Chesilhurst,	Harry Louden,	:	· Pending, fled jurisdiction.
May 3,	. Clementon,	. James M. Cooper,	cape,	· · Pending, fled jurisdiction.
May 14,	. Winslow,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Pending, claim submitted.
	Cumberland County—			
May 25,	. Maurice River,	Pennsylvania R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive, Pending, claim submitted.	Pending, claim submitted.
:	ı			
May 4,	k,	Robert Huebner,	Allowed brush fire to escape, Prosecuted and convicted	Prosecuted and convicted.
	Morris County—			
May 7,	. Roxbury,	D. L. & W. R. R.,	. Fire set by locomotive,	Paid firewarden's bill, \$23.34.
	Sussex County—			
May 5,	. Byram,	:	Careless with matches,	. Convicted, fled jurisdiction.
April 7,	. Hardyston,	N. Y. S. & W. R. R.,	Fire set by locomotive,	Dropped, township bill too tardy.
May 6,	Vernon,	Thomas Mann,	Set fire without permit and al-	Prosecuted, convicted and fined
	-		lowed it to escane,	\$40 and costs.

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